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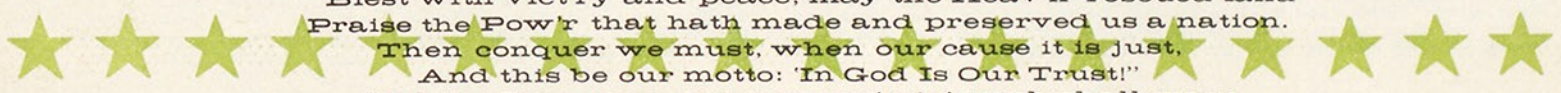
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TEN CENTS

NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD



Oh, thus be it ever when free men shall stand
 Between their loved homes and the war's desolation;
 Bless with vict'ry and peace, may the Heav'n-rescued land
 Praise the Pow'r that hath made and preserved us a nation.
 Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
 And this be our motto: 'In God Is Our Trust!'
 And the Star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
 O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave.



—Our National Anthem

THEY PUT US TO SHAME!

One morning there was a little puddle by the roadside. Some small brown birds gathered around it and took turns hopping in for a great time of splashing. Then they flew up in the bushes nearby and sang gaily, as though pouring out their thanks for the nice bath they had found on a hot, dusty day.

Birds and animals seem to enjoy and appreciate every little blessing that comes their way—a cool drink, a bit of food, a little shade, some shelter from a storm. Why do we humans callously take so much for granted in our lives? Suppose we try looking about us today to find the little things we should be thankful for.

—M. E. BURKETT, in *Gospel Herald*

THE THANKLESS NINE

Have you heard of the ASTN? I hope you are not a member of this ancient society. It all began one day when ten men came to Jesus—ten men with nothing to be thankful for. They were lost in the dark pit of leprosy. Then in one glorious, blinding moment they had *everything* to be thankful for! Their leprosy had been cured and they had a new life!

One of the ten remembered and returned. The other nine just went away—happy but heedless; remembering to tell loved ones, but forgetting to thank the One who had healed them.

Perhaps these nine never knew it—perhaps they would have been frightened or humbled if they had known. But in a solemn, spiritual sense they went away to form the charter membership of one of the most Christ-wounding societies on the face of this earth.

Don't be a member of the Ancient Society of the Thankless Nine. Be mindful of the One from whom all blessings flow! —EDWIN RAYMOND ANDERSON

PRAY ONE FOR ANOTHER

There is nothing will make us love someone as much as praying for him. When we have learned to pray sincerely for a person we have fitted our soul to treat him in a Christlike manner. After all, did not Christ pray for His enemies? So if there is someone to whom you find it difficult to show a loving attitude, pray for him. Be as insistent and as earnest in praying for him as you would be in praying for yourself. You will find your heart strangely changed toward that person. It's impossible to really pray for someone without developing a great and generous attitude toward him.

We believe the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible and authoritative Word of God. WE BELIEVE that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost. WE BELIEVE in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal future return to this earth in power and glory to rule over the nations. WE BELIEVE that the only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the

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BRINGING GOOD OUT OF EVIL

A broken leg is not a pleasant thing; yet a good Christian minister named Gilpin, who lived in the days of the cruel Queen Mary, had cause to be thankful for it.

He was actually on his way to London, where he was to be tried for daring to preach the gospel, when he broke his leg through a fall. Of course, it was impossible for him to proceed on his journey for some time, and the man who had him in custody said with a sneer: "You say that nothing happens to God's people but what is for their good. Do you think your broken leg is for your good?"

"I have no question but it is," said the Christian. Before he was able to travel, Queen Mary died, and Mr. Gilpin was allowed to return to his parish, where he was welcomed by crowds of people.

Men are so apt in bringing evil out of good, but God delights in bringing good out of evil for His people.

—*The Banner of Truth*

THE CHOICE OF THE SECOND-BEST

The choice of the second-best is seen when people who are confronted with the call to strenuous service refuse its glories and rewards and high compensations for the sake of ease and pleasure.

Concerning this point, a brilliant and saintly writer says: "It is not too much to say that all such are laying up for themselves an experience of leanness, dissatisfaction, and disillusion which they will regret when it may be too late."

For the choice of the second-best always involves the outrage of conscience and the silencing of our best instincts. It means the loss of fellowship with God and the loss of spiritual power which is the greatest asset to any soul. How many there are who, when confronted with the stern duty of making a choice, have bartered with all that makes life worth while by giving their allegiance to a second-best. —*Gospel League News*

precious blood of Christ. WE BELIEVE that regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation. WE BELIEVE that the redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing of the human body in answer to believing prayer. WE BELIEVE that the baptism of the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it. WE BELIEVE in the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a holy life. WE BELIEVE in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation.

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Peculiar People

No doubt the kingdom of God sometimes has suffered from sincere and devout people who, because the Bible speaks of Christian believers as "a peculiar people," have supposed that they ought to be queer, eccentric, and abnormal. The original meaning of Titus 2:14 and 1 Peter 2:9 is not "peculiar" in this sense at all, but is better expressed in the Revised Version which says we are a people for God's own possession.

This is a precious thought: we are "a peculiar treasure" in God's sight—something special, as rare jewels—a closely guarded treasure in which He takes great delight. What an incentive this should be to cleanse ourselves from every sin and to be a holy people, remembering that it is not merely our outward appearance but, more importantly, our inward state that makes us precious to the Lord.

Queer, eccentric, and abnormal individuals in the Church may indeed be stumblingblocks who keep some people from entering in; but the Church has suffered more from the conformists within her ranks than from the nonconformists. We were reminded of this again recently when reviewing the history of the Pilgrims. They were nonconformists. They refused to be conformed to this world and insisted on a higher standard both for themselves and for their families. They came to the new world determined to build a new society in which men and women would be free to be nonconformists if they wished.

In the eyes of most Europeans they were a peculiar people. They braved the wide Atlantic and the strange unfriendly wilderness for God, and not for gold. They loved the Church more than their own homes. Every Sunday they and their entire families gathered at the house of God—morning, afternoon, and night.

They were a Bible-loving people, those early Americans. When children came they gave them Biblical names. When they built schools they used, for a textbook, the New England Primer which contained nothing but Scripture. For the first hundred years of American history this New England Primer was in every schoolhouse, from Maine to Georgia. The principles upon which they established our Government were conceived through Bible study.

And they were a missionary people. One of their main purposes in coming to the new world was to preach to the Indians. They made friends with the Indians, taught them to read, and led them to Christ. The first translation and printing of the entire Bible into a new tongue for the purpose of evangelization was done in New England, when Eliot translated it into the language of the Massachusetts Indians.

The Pilgrims were so zealous for Biblical righteousness that they were called Puritans. They were the "queer people" of their day. Their fellowmen could not understand what holy fire burned in their souls making them willing to give their lives, if need be, in order that they and succeeding generations might worship God freely according to their personal convictions. They were considered "queer" because they were different from the spineless, worldly people of their day—but they were different enough to exert a great and godly influence that eventually changed the world. May God give us more "peculiar" people of their caliber today.—R.C.C.

Every day is Thanksgiving Day for those who are mindful of the mercies of the Lord.

PERPETUAL PRAISE

By ARTHUR HEDLEY



THERE WAS A TIME WHEN WE SANG WITH ENTHUSIASM and vigor, "I feel like singing all the time"; and in this chorus we declared our indebtedness to God was such that we would "praise Him" perpetually. But most of us will have to confess there have been many times when we have not been in a singing mood.

It is easy to praise God when all goes well, but when a loved one is suddenly snatched from us and we are left desolate—or when we have to face a major operation—we find it hard. We have only to read Psalms 38; 42; 43; 51; 55; 73:2-16 to see that there were many occasions when David was in no mood to sing praise to God. Often he was perplexed, dumb-founded, depressed because of God's dealings with him. In a time of severe trial he said, "I was dumb with silence, I held my peace, even from good; and my sorrow was stirred" (Psalm 39:2).

It is in looking back over the past, and recognizing God's gracious dealings with him, that David makes the grand resolve: "I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth" (Psalm 34:1). His abundant praise springs from his abundant experience of the deliverances of God. Repeatedly in the song he recalls how God delivered him from troubles, terrors, distresses, afflictions. God's goodness had followed him all the days of his life and moved him to

declare he will "never cease to praise God." So exuberant is he in his experience of God that he invites all to test His goodness for themselves: "O taste and see that the Lord is good..." (Psalm 34:8).

David's ambition was to live a life of perpetual praise, to see the good hand of God behind every happening and thus to find even in trouble a cause for praise. It is God's will that "in everything" we should "give thanks" (1 Thessalonians 5:18), and this is gloriously possible when we steadfastly believe that "all things work together for good to them that love God" (Romans 8:28). Looking back over the years Robert Browning declared, "I have lived, seen God's hand through that lifetime, and all was for the best."

It should be the aim of every believer to cultivate the habit of continuous praise. That saintly preacher and poet, Horatius Bonar, prayed:

"Fill Thou my life, O Lord my God,
In every part with praise,
That my whole being may proclaim
Thy being and Thy ways."

Of a Wesleyan preacher of the eighteenth century it was said that he "died full of faith. As long as he could ride he traveled, and while he had breath he praised God." With so many of us our praise is limited to special occasions, to favorable circumstances. If we were sincere we would have to confess that we spend far too much time in gossip, criticism, murmuring, doubting, and too little in praising God. And yet, what abundant cause we have for thankfulness and praise!

True praise—praise that is lasting and that ultimately becomes as natural as breathing—has its source not in

We Thank Thee

We thank Thee for the golden sheaves
Of harvest in the autumn fields,
For everything the garden yields
And all the goodness man receives.

We thank Thee for the verdant spring
That brings the robin and the lark
To village green and city park,
While trees their blossoms outward fling.

We thank Thee for Thy Living Word
That shall not change or pass away,
Though nations perish and decay
And empires fall beneath the sword!

We thank Thee for Thy wondrous love
That made the perfect Sacrifice—
Thine only Son who paid the price
To bring mankind to realms above.

We thank Thee for the Holy Ghost,
His sanctifying grace and power;
May He abide in us each hour
To bring another Pentecost!

We thank Thee for Thy gifts divine—
The miracles, the tongues of fire,
The faith and courage they inspire
To ever make the glory Thine.

—Wallace G. Kerr

circumstance but in God: in His love, His Word, His promises, His presence and friendship. To call to remembrance every day our wonderful redemption, won for us through the atoning blood of Christ, is a cause for ceaseless wonder and praise—"ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like thee His praise should sing!"

As we live and walk in the will of God, we are able to see some cause for praise even in seeming ills. Paul found pleasure in his infirmities for he saw that Divine strength was perfected in his own weakness—"when I am weak, then am I strong" (2 Corinthians 12:10). "Thou art my praise" (Jeremiah 17:14), declared the prophet. We can always find something in *God* which is worthy of our praise.

When John Wesley was a student and unconverted he tried to tease the porter at Oxford University, a very godly man. Seeing his shabby attire, he said, "Go home and change your coat."

The porter replied, "This is the only coat I have in the world and I thank God for it."

"Go home and get your supper," was the next suggestion.

"I shall have nothing but a glass of water and I thank God for it," replied the porter.

"It's very late and I think you will find yourself locked out, and then what will you have to thank God for?" continued Wesley.

"I will thank God I have dry stones to lie on."

"Sam, Sam," said Wesley, "you thank God when you have nothing to wear, nothing to eat, and nothing to lie on; what else do you thank Him for?"

"I thank Him that He has given me life, and a heart to love Him, and a desire to serve Him."

It is possible to be habitually grateful to God, however dark the way may be. Paul and Silas in a dark dungeon, with their feet held fast in stocks and their backs bleeding and smarting, "prayed and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them" (Acts 16:25). The most joyous Epistle (Philippians) was written when Paul was in chains and uncertain of his fate. One of the bravest men during World War II was Hans Lilje, Bishop of Hanover. For his fidelity to Christ, Hitler had him arrested and cast into prison. At night his feet and hands were chained, but no chain could silence his praise or destroy his faith. Once he heard a prisoner in a distant cell whistling, "O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise." At once the bishop rushed to the bars of his cell and with all his breath whistled back, antiphonally, "O for a thousand tongues to sing."

The Lord Jesus can be a present, living reality to us, so that with the Psalmist we can say, "Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee" (Psalm 73:25); then praise will be spontaneous and continuous. The recognition of the preciousness of Christ, the greatness of our redemption, and the consciousness of His abiding presence—whatever our circumstances—will enable us to live this happy life of praise. We too will say with the Psalmist, "I will bless the Lord at *all* times: his praise shall *continually* be in my mouth." " "

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In the old Anglo-Saxon language thankfulness means "thankfulness." Thinking of all God's goodnesses draws forth gratitude.
—*King's Business*



The Thanksgiving I'll Never Forget

By GORDON GREEN

THE THANKSGIVING I'LL NEVER FORGET WAS THE ONE when we had jackrabbit and turnips for dinner. I was a boy on our farm at Arthur, Ontario. Maybe I shouldn't tell you about it because Dad, who is seventy-five now, might be embarrassed.

But, Dad, if you were ashamed of the tumble-down barns, the house you were always going to enlarge, the cookstove that let smoke into the oven, let me tell you now that it didn't matter. Sure, I remember winter mornings when a zero wind seeped through the cracks around the window. But I remember better the warm feel of our clothes when we took them down from the stovepipe where we'd piled them.

We complained when we had to hurry home from school while the rest played ball, or when on a powder-dusty day we'd look up from our hayfield to see other kids go singing up the road to the swimming hole. But our complaining never did run deep, because Dad made us feel our work amounted to something.

Especially so at Thanksgiving. That was the day we took stock of everything on the place.

First Dad took us to the cellar with its barrels of
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fragrant apples, the bins of beets and carrots packed in sand, the pile of sacked potatoes, the peas, corn, string beans, jellies, strawberries, and other preserves which bowed down the shelves. Father had us take stock of it all carefully. Then we went out to the barns. With the help of the tables on the back of our scribblers we figured how many tons of hay there were in the mow and how many bushels of grain in the granary. We counted the livestock, chickens, turkeys, and geese.

Dad wanted to see how we stood, he said. But he really wanted us to realize, on this feast day, how richly the Almighty had smiled upon all those hours of work we had so tearfully protested.

It may seem strange, therefore, to say that the Thanksgiving I shall always remember most gratefully was the year when we seemed to have nothing to be thankful for.

The year had started off well enough. We had hay left over. We had lots of seed. Our four litters of pigs were as sleek as sausages. What's more, Dad had a little money laid aside to buy a hay loader—that wonderful machine that simply trailed behind the wagon, lifted the hay, and threw it on a rack at your feet.

It was the year, too, when the electricity came. Not to us, because we couldn't afford it. The McKillops had a party to show off their bright rooms and the iron that didn't have to sit on the stove. Mother looked a long time at the washing machine. If only we could afford to be connected!

It was a Monday night and Mother was doing her big wash when we found out what Dad had on his mind. He said, "My turn now." Mother protested but Dad took over the board anyway.

"Washing!" Dad said to her. "You spend more time washing than sleeping. Think we ought to break down

and get this electricity? If I cut my own poles..."

Mother came flying across the room and threw her arms around his neck. We all swallowed a tear or two as we thought of the hay loader that wouldn't be bought now.

So the line came up our lane, too, that year. Nothing fancy, but what wonder there was to that gleaming washing machine. The lamps went quickly off to the attic.

The coming of electricity was almost the last good thing that the year was to bring. The rains started just as the first oat spears began to put a pea-green haze over the country, and when the water finally drained away there wasn't a seedling left anywhere. We seeded again, but September brought more rains that beat the crops into the earth.

The potatoes rotted in mud.

Dad sold a couple of cows that fall and all the pigs, and a lot of other livestock he intended to keep. He got next to nothing for them because everybody else had to do the same thing. About all we harvested that year was a patch of turnips that had somehow weathered the wet.

Then suddenly it was Thanksgiving again. "Maybe we'd better forget it this year," Mother said. "We haven't even a goose left."

But on the morning of the big day Dad brought in a jackrabbit. "These aren't half bad sometimes if you roast them with a lump of fat pork," Dad said. "Let's try it." Grudgingly Mother started the job, but warned that it would take a long time to cook the tough old thing.

We took stock as usual that year, and Dad did his best to be cheerful, but Mother had expressed the mood that was in us all.

When we sat down to the rabbit that night I said, "It looks like a piece of old dead horse! I certainly don't want any."

Then Dad did a strange thing. He went up to the attic and got an oil lamp. He lighted it, set it in the middle of the table, and told one of us to turn out the lights. When there was only the oil lamp again we couldn't believe our eyes. Could it really have been this dark before? How in the world did we ever see our way around in those days?

Dad said grace, and when it was over we were still quiet. In the humble dimness of the oil lamp we were beginning to see clearly again.

"Just think," Mother said, "a year ago we had only this!"

It got to be a lovely meal. The jackrabbit tasted like turkey and the turnips were of the mildest.

We can thank Dad for that Thanksgiving. For that and all the other Thanksgivings we had with him. Now when we descend upon him for a Thanksgiving reunion, we come displaying the success which has come our way—we all have so many, many bright things now.

When it's time for the feast Father brings out that oil lamp, switches out all the electric lights and lets it light our feast again. Maybe we need its humble gleam as badly in these days of our noisy success as we did in that unforgettable year.

—The Pentecostal Testimony

Which Does God Believe?

The head of a household at the morning meal had asked the blessing as usual, thanking God for a bountiful provision. Immediately afterward he began to grumble about the hard times, the poor quality of food he was forced to eat, and the way it was cooked.

His little daughter interrupted him. "Father," she began, "do you suppose God heard what you said a little while ago?"

"Certainly," he replied confidently.

"And did He hear what you said about the bacon and the coffee?"

"Of course"—not quite so confidently.

"Then, Father, which did God believe?"

Even when we as children of God do remember to thank Him for the blessings He pours into our lives, are we not often like this man? Do not our words and deeds often contrast sharply with the thanks we utter?
—The Pilot



"I was blessed after spending some time thanking God for the President . . ."

I SHALL NEVER FORGET THE LESSON I LEARNED FROM an elderly colored man who could not write his name. This man's son had distinguished himself on the battlefield during World War I and was the first of his race to receive a battlefield promotion. The aged father told me about this and gave God glory for his son's safety. He said to me, *"The reason we ain't got no more blessings than we is got, is because we isn't thankful enough for those we is already got."*

This may be poor English but it is excellent philosophy, and it is in harmony with Ephesians 5:20—"Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Happy is the man who has learned to express gratitude toward God for His manifold blessings. God deserves our praise whether we feel like giving it or not. Psalm 103 is the story of a man who began blessing God in spite of his feelings. He started out by commanding his soul to bless the Lord. Evidently he did not feel like doing this at first, for he had to repeat his command, not only to his soul, but to all that was within him. Then after a while he must have felt like it, for as we read on we find he wanted even the birds and all creation to bless God.

It is a psychological rule that we can make ourselves want to do something just by doing it. The act of doing it seems to prime us into feeling like doing it. Try smiling, for example. If you do not feel like smiling, just make yourself smile for a moment or two and you will find you soon *feel* like smiling.

The apostle Paul, writing to his son in the faith, exhorted him not only to be thankful but also to give thanks for others. "That, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men . . ." (1 Timothy 2:1). I was made conscious of this while pastoring Calvary Gospel Church in Wash-

GIVING THANKS FOR ALL MEN

By JONAS E. MILLER, M.D.

ington, D. C., during World War II. On our way to church one day we passed President Roosevelt who was on his way to the Potomac River for a Sunday cruise in his yacht. Affairs of state were heavy and the President needed a little time for relaxation. After returning home I was praying and God seemed to direct me to

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give thanks for the President. I hesitated, since I did not agree with his politics, but God impressed me with the fact that I was to take the President's place in giving Him thanks. I was to do it *for* him—in his stead, or place—since he was too busy.

I then looked up the original meaning of Paul's words. I found this is what he actually meant: we are to give thanks "on behalf of all men." All men should be thankful to God, but not all of them are. We can give thanks on behalf of those who are not thankful.

After spending some time thanking God for the President—on his behalf—I felt greatly blessed. Then God
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directed me to give thanks for all my neighbors. I argued with God, saying that the people living next to us had been drunken most of the night and probably were still sleeping off the results of their alcohol; but God reminded me that since they were unable to thank Him for the blessings they enjoyed I should do it on their behalf. I obeyed, and felt God was in this.

Not long afterward these neighbors took an entirely new attitude toward us. They asked us to administer communion to the aged mother who was ill. She died soon afterward and I was asked to conduct her funeral service. Prior to this the family had resented our interest in this aged mother, and had refused to let us visit her, even though earlier we had taken her to church with us. Thus I learned what Paul meant when he said, in the following verse, "That we may lead a quiet and peaceable life..." Giving thanks on behalf of others, or for them, results in peaceful relations with them.

I was reminded that Paul wrote these words while in prison. He probably offered supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks for Nero who had caused his imprisonment!

Our relations with the family next door were the best, from that time on (even though they never mended their evil ways, as far as I knew, while we were neighbors). Many people today have problems in getting along with their neighbors. I know of one minister who even brought suit against his neighbor because of a situation that arose out of a simple misunderstanding over chickens. How much better off he would have been had he followed Paul's advice and given thanks for his neighbor!

Every person has a debt of gratitude that he owes to God. Do not be satisfied with paying your own debt; pay the back debts of others, too. Give thanks on their behalf and thus pay the debt of gratitude they owe to the Lord. This can be as effective in its result upon their lives as the offering of supplications, prayers, and intercessions for them.

Since I first learned to give thanks for others I have used this means to overcome difficulties I had in getting along with certain persons. I have found it worked in most cases. In those cases where it did not work the fault probably lay with me for not persisting in my thanksgiving for them.

To be unthankful is probably one of mankind's worst sins. In Romans 1:21 we read of the downfall of an ancient race that began with their ingratitude. "Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful..." This was the turning point—"neither were thankful." As you read the rest of the chapter you see the awful sins they fell into, step by step, until they were overwhelmed with utter degradation and destruction. It all hinged on ingratitude.

I have asked many backslidden people how they fell into this state. Almost invariably their downfall could be traced to a lack of thankfulness. This should be a lesson to us all.

If you are shut in, aged, or for some other reason do not have an active public ministry, here is a ministry for you—this ministry of "giving of thanks for all men... that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty." Remember that if we lack some blessing, the reason may be that we are failing to be thankful for the mercies we do enjoy. ❧

PSALM ONE HUNDRED
Make a joyful noise unto the Lord,
all ye lands. Serve the Lord with glad-
ness: come before his presence with sing-
ing. Know ye that the Lord he is God:
it is he that hath made us, and not we
ourselves; we are his people, and the
sheep of his pasture. Enter into his
gates with thanksgiving, and into his
courts with praise: be thankful unto him,
and bless his name. For the Lord is
good; his mercy is everlasting: and his
truth endureth to all generations.

The HABIT of PRAISING GOD

To be able to praise the Lord
under all circumstances is a
desirable and attainable goal.

by *Ola Pool*

HAVE YOU DEVELOPED THE HABIT OF "GIVING THANKS always for all things," as the Bible tells us to do, or are you one of those who think only queer people indulge in this practice?

One woman, when she heard the teacher of an adult Bible class tell about her experiences along this line, thought it was positively senseless. For example, the teacher said she praised God when a cup of tea was upset over a new blouse! She also told how she gave thanks to God when a bottle of ink was spilled upon a carpet!

However, this skeptical woman did long for the enjoyment others seemed to be getting out of this habit, so she decided there might be something to it. According to the tract *Concerning You*, written by Alice Rowlands Frodsham, she said to herself, "Well, I am not getting anywhere by reasoning and arguing with the Lord. I believe I will do what the Word of God says. Whether I feel like it or not, I *will* try to praise God."

For a week, whenever things were most distressing, she would say under her breath, "Praise God, in everything give thanks!" The habit of praise became stronger each day, but no joy and heart praise followed. Then one evening she bumped into an open cupboard door and gave her head a painful blow. Unconsciously, she found herself praising the Lord. As she did so, joy flowed into her heart, and God made her to realize that happenings in a Christian's life are of His ordering. From then on, the knowledge of this gracious truth became the sweetest thing on earth to her.

Someone may object, "You don't know the terrific trials and tests I have; if you did, you wouldn't speak so glowingly of the habit of praise."

No, I do not know, but our heavenly Father knows, and His Word says "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ" (Ephesians 5:20).

"But I cannot praise the Lord for some things, for I see the devil is working. Am I to praise God for the work of the enemy of our souls?"

"Giving thanks always for all things" means exactly what it says; for God is on His throne, and His kingdom rules over all. Romans 8:28 declares: "We know that *all things* work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

Take for an example the Old Testament character Joseph, the beloved son of Jacob. He was unjustly treated and sold into slavery by his brothers. Taken to Egypt as a slave, he was falsely accused and imprisoned. Joseph did not complain, and God overruled this unjust treatment, for Joseph eventually found favor with Pharaoh. Joseph was exalted to Egypt's premiership and became the dispenser of Egyptian grain to all who came. In the plan of God, his brethren and father were brought to Egypt, and Joseph became the means of their sustenance in the day of famine. To his repentant brothers he said, "So now it was not you that sent me hither, *but God*" (Genesis 45:8). "Ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good..." (Genesis 50:20).

A thing may be unjust, and even seem to be directed by Satan, but it can work for your spiritual good. Charles Finney once stated, "A state of mind that sees God in everything, is evidence of growth in grace." If

Thanksgiving

Thou that hast given so much to me,
Give one thing more—a grateful heart;
Not thankful when it pleaseth me,
As if Thy blessings had spare days;
But such a heart, whose pulse may be
Thy praise.

—GEORGE HERBERT

the habit of giving thanks at *all* times for *all* things is cultivated, there will be no self-pity, fear, and ill-nature. This is a wonderful secret for any Christian to learn. This fact is enough to make your life one of endless thanksgiving and joy.

We do not thank God for the evils or annoyances that come our way. Rather we thank God for the good He will accomplish through them!

Hannah Whitall Smith, author of *The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life*, stated:

"Nothing else but this seeing God in everything will make us loving and patient with those who annoy and trouble us. They will be to us then only the instruments for accomplishing His tender and wise purpose toward us, and we shall even find ourselves at last inwardly thanking them for the blessings they bring.

"The very act of praising Him for all things frees us from the bondage of the old life—murmuring, fussing, and fretting.

"Some years ago there was a girl who longed for for daily victory. She had made a definite transaction with God that she would enter into this life of praise. She began that very night. The next morning everything went wrong. Her father overslept and so did she. The wood was damp and the fire would not burn. She went to the basement to chop up a dry box, and in doing so cut her hand. Hurrying up the stairs, she tore her skirt by treading on it. However, she continued to give thanks, whatever annoyance came her way. She came to the next Young People's meeting radiantly happy and with a joyous testimony. 'It works! It works!' she constantly affirmed."

If we abide in Him we will earnestly desire to form the habit of praising God *under* all circumstances and *for* all things! For thus we find victory, and He is glorified!

Mildred Allen Jeffery aptly stated this truth in her poem:

"At first I only gave God thanks
If I felt well that day,
And everything was tranquil
And going just my way;

"But when I learned to thank our Lord
When not one thing went right—
I found His hand was leading me,
His presence my delight;
His keystone faith, not sight."

THIS PRESENT WORLD

Protestantism

250,000 European Towns Lack Protestant Church

According to Robert P. Evans, founder of Greater Europe Mission, more than 400 Protestant missionaries have gone to Europe from the U.S. since 1945. At least a score of missionary societies and special agencies have been created especially for service in Europe, he says, indicating a revived interest in Europe's spiritual need; but he reports in *Christianity Today* that 250,000 towns in free Europe do not have any Protestant church at the present time.

Dearth of Protestants in Israel

Israel now has 52,000 Christians (loosely labeled) in a total population of over 2,000,000. This was a recent report of Rabbi Jacob Tolodano, Minister of Religious Affairs, to the Israeli Parliament in Jerusalem.

He said a breakdown showed 32,000 Catholics of various rites, 18,000 Eastern Orthodox, and 2,000 Protestants (which is not very impressive, considering the several denominations working in Israel). The official said there are 200 Christian churches and 1,000 Christian clergymen, monks, and nuns.

Alcohol

Grocery Stores Chief Dispensers of Beer

The Fleishmann Malting Company boasts, "Beer sales, through food stores checkouts. Yet only 100,000 stores out of 350,000 stores in the country handle beer. Since 1957 when we started advertising in trade journals, the percentage of beer sold in grocery outlets has increased from thirty-seven per cent to forty-two per cent of total industry sales."

Social drinkers obviously buy a large volume of beer through grocery stores. An observation by Dr. Marvin A. Block, the American Medical Association's chairman on alcoholism, compels solemn reflection: "The latest figures on alcoholism disclose that every day 1,000 Americans cross the line that divides the social drinker from

the addict... fifty per cent of all alcoholics have had alcoholic parents. . . . Alcoholism is not hereditary, but it is communicable."

Some Christians have boycotted grocery stores where beer is sold. If enough people would do this, more merchants would display signs as some do saying, "No beer sold in this store."

WCTU Ask No Liquor Ads on Telstar

Telstar, the communications satellite, must be kept free of alcohol beverage advertising, the National Women's Christian Temperance Union declared at its annual meeting in Miami Beach, Fla.

In a resolution, the women noted that Telstar is a "marvelous" means of communication with its potential not yet realized and called on "those responsible for the programming and advertising to use the best programs

possible and keep this medium of communication free of beverage alcohol advertising."

Bible

First Ethiopian Bible Published

A copy of the new Ethiopian Bible was given recently to the Archbishop of Canterbury, Arthur M. Ramsey. Printed in Amharic, official language of Ethiopia, the new edition had its beginning in 1946 under the auspices of Emperor Selassie and the British and Foreign Bible Society.

It is the first complete Bible to be published in Ethiopia, the home of the eunuch to whom Philip witnessed as recorded in Acts 8.

Bible a Best Seller in South Africa

The Bible Society of South Africa, an associate of the British and Foreign Bible Society, claims that South Africans buy more Bibles per capita than any other nation on earth. Last year the Society sold 250,000 Bibles in sixty languages in South Africa, and the demand is increasing at such a rate that it can hardly cope with all the orders, it announced.

Meanwhile many languages in Africa are still without the Scriptures. The Bible is now available in 48 African languages, the New Testament in an additional 96, and single Gospels and other portions in another 184; but the huge task of translating the Bible into some 800 additional African tongues is only half finished, according to Maynard Booth, Secretary of the Bible Societies in the Rhodesias.

Reds Restrict Number of Testaments Entering Russia

Protestant clergymen traveling as a group in Soviet Russia were told by customs officials that they were restricted as to the number of New Testaments they could bring into the country, according to Robert Smith, Methodist pastor from Mt. Pleasant, Mich., who was a member of the party.

Each clergyman, he said, had



WASHINGTON, D.C.—Once decorated by fifteen ornamental stars, the area above the Speaker's chair in the House of Representatives now bears the motto, "In God We Trust." The inscription was affixed this autumn as the result of a House-passed resolution initiated by Rep. Fred Marshall (Mich.). Mr. Marshall said: "During these times when our country is facing great crises, it is well that we remind ourselves of our reliance upon God and reaffirm our faith in Him." He added that one of the by-products of the resolution is that "we have given perhaps not too directly, but in not too subtle a way, our answer to the recent decision of the U.S. Supreme Court banning the Regents' Prayer from the New York public schools."

brought twelve copies of a Russian-language New Testament "to present to new Christian friends we might make during our visit to Russia," as he put it. Most hoped to present the volumes to ministers, he added. "We knew that there has been only one limited printing of the Bible in Russia in more than forty years, and that copies are rare and highly prized by Russian Christians."

But after long argument with Russian customs officials at the Soviet border, each clergyman in the group was permitted to retain only two copies of the Russian-language Testaments. The rest were gathered into a large bundle, he said, "and we were told we could pick them up on our way back."

Miscellany

Canadian Court Legalizes Obscenity—Sometimes

In a recent decision, a magistrate in Toronto, Canada, ruled it is legal to send obscene pictures through the mail if addressed to one's friends.

Magistrate Fred Thompson dismissed a charge of using the mails to distribute obscene materials brought against Ernest Riseman, 36, because he (the magistrate) doesn't believe Canada's Parliament intended to legislate the exchange of mail among friends.

New Road Permits Cars to Reach Mount Zion

A new serpentine road enabling pilgrims to reach the summit of Mount Zion by car, instead of by foot, was inaugurated this summer. The occasion was the evening of the Fast of Ab, when Jews commemorate the destruction of the first and second Temples in Jerusalem.

Thousands of Jews climbed the mountain to get a glimpse of the ancient Wailing Wall, a relic of the sacred Temple, which is now inaccessible to Jews because it lies just beyond the nearby Jordan border.

1,200 Russian Refugees Invited by Australia

Twelve hundred White Russian refugees from Communist China will arrive in Australia as migrants during the next few months, Radio Australia reported.

Comprising anti-Bolsheviks who fled from Russia after the 1917 Revolution, and their descendants, the first group of refugees arrived from Hong Kong during early autumn. Australian church organizations are helping to find housing and jobs for the newcomers.



YOUR QUESTIONS

Answered by Ernest S. Williams

✧ *Why did Saul change his name to Paul (Acts 13:9)?*

Some think he took the name Paul in honor of his convert, Sergius Paulus (Acts 13:7), but this is only a conjecture. One writer says it was common for Jewish parents who lived among the Gentiles to give their children both a Jewish and a Gentile name; and, since Paul was now recognized as the apostle to the Gentiles, he chose to use his Gentile name (Paul) in the place of his Hebrew name (Saul).

✧ *I have a son who has hated his brother for years. He now shows the same disposition toward his wife and son. Since Jesus says, "This kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting" (Matthew 17:21), I have been praying and fasting for three days, but he seems unchanged. Is it necessary that a "man of God" cast out the spirit of hate?*

It was a spirit of epilepsy that Jesus cast out when He said, "This kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting." Your son's case is a moral one. If he would respond to the conviction of the Holy Spirit, which would break down his spirit of hate, he could be helped. Let us pray that God may let him see himself as he really is, and that divine love may enter his heart.

✧ *Will faith, hope, and charity (love) continue in heaven? If so, why?*

Righteousness and love will characterize the atmosphere of the new heavens and the new earth. Faith and hope, as we now understand the terms, will not be needed. We now "hope for that we see not . . ." (Romans 8:25); in heaven "we [shall] see . . . [and] know even as also [we] are known" (1 Corinthians 13:12). We now "walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7); when we get to heaven we "shall see the Lord," therefore we will not have to walk by faith.

But Scripture indicates the possibility of continued, hopeful expecta-

tion—even after we have reached heaven—since "in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus" (Ephesians 2:7). This we can leave with God.

✧ *Are not "the children of the kingdom" which "shall be cast out into outer darkness" (Matthew 8:12) the same as the children of the worldly kingdom?*

They would be included in the worldly kingdom, but in this passage Jesus particularly is warning the Jews who are the natural heirs to the kingdom. See Luke 8:5-10. Although many (both Jews and Gentiles who have accepted Christ) will "come from the east and west" to inherit the kingdom promised to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, unbelieving people of Israel will be cast out because they rejected Christ in whom the kingdom promises were to be fulfilled.

✧ *Is there a difference between being baptized "in" the Holy Ghost and being baptized "with" the Holy Ghost?*

I believe this is a matter of terminology. Some like the term "in" because it emphasizes that the one baptized is immersed into the Holy Ghost. Those who use the term "with" are more in harmony with the actual language in the Scriptures. Here are a couple of examples: "He shall baptize you *with* the Holy Ghost, and with fire" (Matthew 3:11). "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost . . ." (Acts 2:4).

I do not like the expression, "baptism of the Holy Ghost," for this sounds as if it were some gift that the Holy Ghost bestows. In the baptism with the Spirit it is *Jesus* who does the baptizing, the filling, the immersing into the Holy Ghost.

If you have a spiritual problem or any question about the Bible, you are invited to write to "Your Questions," The Pentecostal Evangel, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo. Brother Williams will answer either in this column or by a personal letter (if you send a stamped self-addressed envelope).



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MORALS MUST

Home is the child's best schoolhouse but it requires a

years ago, Joshua's advice strikes a sound note for parents.

We remember the child Topsy in *Uncle Tom's Cabin* who "just grewed." Is it possible that many parents today allow their children to "just grow"? The question occurs because many of the children arrested for crimes come from "good" families and seemingly should have every chance to develop into worthwhile citizens.

We know that parents are busy people in the home as well as in many good outside projects. But until a parent realizes his first obligation is to the children whom God has given him, he is a failure no matter how successful he seems to the world about him.

How do we go about cultivating a strong moral sense in our children? How do we help them attain that inner strength they need to stand when temptations bright and alluring beckon?

Morality is built by *deliberate teaching*. A regular curriculum of right

living is needed in the home. Parents must lay it right on the line, and just as the school gradually increases the child's studies according to his progress, so the home may implant its teachings day by day, year by year, in the realm of the child's understanding and experience.

But it is too late to start cultivating in adolescent soil. The planting season begins much earlier. Adolescence is the fertile season of testing, questioning, rebuilding and revising. It is the time to fortify—to burnish to shining clarity those ideals that have been emphasized and instilled from the child's early years.

But only if the child sees parents safeguarding their ideals and standards will the child feel they are vital enough to hang on to himself. A little song that is being sung goes like this: "Never do I want to hear another word. There isn't one I haven't heard. Read me no rhymes, sing me no songs. Show me!"

Show me! This is the heart-rending cry of a whole generation of adolescents seeking values and standards. If they don't say it out loud they wish it deep inside their unsettled growing-up bodies and minds.

The child of an atheist *may* grow up to repudiate his father because he cannot follow that line of reasoning; some children of parents with low morals *may* become disgusted and discouraged and choose higher standards for themselves when they are out on their own. As a rule, though, most children follow the same line of reasoning and standards as their parents and learn it through direct teaching, listening, and observing. It is well to remember that every child has a built-in twenty-twenty moral vision detection!

What kind of driver is the boy going to be when he has heard his dad caution, "Watch for the cops, son; I've got to exceed the speed limit to make it on time"? One of the first skills a child learns in school is to count. Out of this knowledge he asks

A LONG TIME AGO A WISE MAN OF Bible fame urged his people to set up a standard of fearing the Lord and serving Him in faith and sincerity. This man, Joshua, made a blunt prediction that if they stooped to the idolatrous, immoral practices of the neighboring peoples the results would be disastrous for them.

In a day when arrests of children have skyrocketed to six and one-half times the number they were eighteen

BIBLE PUZZLE FOR JUNIORS

Psalm 100 is often read during a certain November holiday. The psalm is printed below, but some of the words are missing. You are to fill in the missing words, placing them according to their

PSALM 100

1. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye (3, across).

2. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with (10, across).

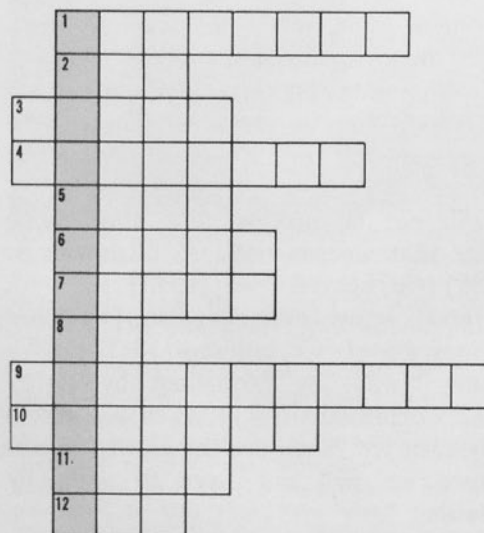
3. (5, across) ye that the Lord he is (12, across): (8, across) is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the (6, across) of his pasture.

4. Enter into his (7, across) with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be (1, across) unto (2, across), and bless his (11, across).

5. For the Lord is good, his mercy is (9, across); and his truth (4, across) to all generations.

numbers in the blank places in the puzzle. All words go across.

If you fill in the words correctly, you will find the name of the November holiday up and down in the gray spaces.



BE CULTIVATED

regular curriculum of right living. By MARGARET N. FREEMAN

Daddy why he drives sixty when the sign says forty-five.

Recently a young man in a western state was killed while speeding. The police had quite a time finding his father. When they did locate him he was in court paying a fine for reckless driving and speeding.

Many children brought to juvenile court are there on charges of theft. What do you teach your children that stealing is? Most children learn early in life that picking something off the counter without paying for it is stealing. However, what of the times that Mother pockets too much change from the grocer with the excuse: "It is so little; besides, it was his mistake." What about the father who evades reporting all his income tax returns, puts in a false claim for insurance, or chuckles over shady business triumphs?

Do you teach your children that cheating is dishonest? Loafing on someone's time, cheating in tests and the like, can be discussed in the family circle. Who would want to lie down on the operating table and submit to surgery by a doctor who had cheated to pass his exams? Who would ride securely over a bridge without worry if he knew it had been erected by engineers who cheated to pass their achievement tests? Examples point up logic!

Respect for other's rights and for the common good is necessary for the welfare of home, community, and nation. Children who are taught to live honestly are on the way to becoming valuable upright citizens. Home standards largely determine the child's character.

Sometimes the "show me" must add a sterner quality. Emerson once said we appreciate people who make us do what we ought to do. When we look back, doubtless we all remember commands of our parents—hard to swallow at the time, but gratifying to look back upon. Reasonable people conform to moral standards when they perceive the purpose is reasonable.

Children are usually the most reasonable of people when they understand. A parent owes his child an explanation of likely consequences of certain actions. If the child sees the reason for a certain rule that he must obey he will feel the parent acts out of a sense of responsibility for his welfare. He may rebel, rave and rant, but underlying all will be a satisfying security that here is someone who has his welfare at heart. A bit of grudging admiration might even shine through at times!

Today concern extends, and rightly so, to sex standards of youth. Boys and girls need to *see* what illegitimacy means for the unfortunate couple, the innocent baby, parents on both sides and the general public which often pays for the upbringing and costs of increased delinquency and crime. Thoughtful parents try to warn against this present-day promiscuity and painful examples are all too common aids toward that end. The home that provides a wholesome family life is doing much to combat the ugly demoralizing influences rampant on television screens and magazine stands.

Care needs to be exercised in the realm of moral teaching versus emotional needs. Perhaps the frequent news stories of embezzlers these days date back to a teaching that made money the most important goal obtainable, offset on the other side by a compulsion to succeed. Always, whether we succumb to temptation or stand firm against it depends upon our strength under the force of pressure. If inner resources are such they keep morals under restraint, the moral level holds; but when the longing proves just too much, gates of wrongdoing break open and floods of evil sweep over the wrongdoer wreaking evil upon him and those near to him.

The J— family liked nice things and taught Junior a great respect for the things money obtains. The J—'s were good, moral people and never dreamed that, in their emphasis

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CAN YOU SHRUG OFF RESPONSIBILITY?

Can you see your responsibility, yet shrug and forget it? Can you fail or refuse to recognize the obligations which are yours? You say: "I support my family; I am a good citizen of my community and my country. I feel that I have assumed my responsibilities."

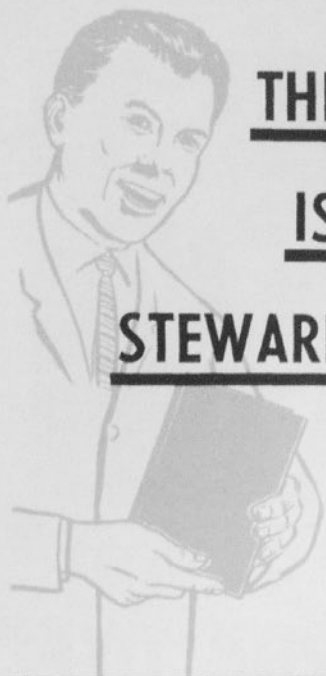
What about your responsibility to the aged members of your spiritual family—the aged ministers and missionaries of the Assemblies of God?

You do not see your part? Before you were a member of this spiritual family, these men and women felt a responsibility for you. They could look ahead and see that a solid and unshakeable faith must be yours if you were to withstand the temptations of life. Without knowing you personally, these ministers cared desperately for you, and they felt responsible to God for your soul.

Can you now shrug off your responsibility to simply provide for them financial security in their retirement year? If they have accomplished their purpose in you, we think you cannot forget them. Prove your acceptance of this obligation by contributing to:

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This pastor's vision extends beyond his own community. He is devoting considerable time to promoting the "Breakthrough" project at Tooele, Utah, proving that if a person really wants to help there is

More Than One Way

By PETER PILOT

Pastor, Assembly of God Church, Salt Lake City, Utah

1963 TRAINING MONTH BOOK SELECTION

A right understanding of stewardship is necessary for a fruitful Christian life. Recognizing this need, the National Sunday School Department presents as the 1963 Training Selection a book that establishes the totality of our Christian responsibility. *This Is Stewardship*, by George Brazell, emphasizes the necessity of giving time and talent, as well as tithes.

Supplementary materials have been prepared to aid in teaching *This Is Stewardship*. These include an Instructor's Guide and colorful Visual Aid.

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Peter Pilot

WITH A DEEP-SEATED CONVICTION that missions must begin at home, we had our first service in the interest of *Breakthrough* in our own church here in Salt Lake City with an excellent response. Besides a cash offering, our church pledged \$10 a month support for Pastor Milton Newman for the next year as he labors to establish the new *Breakthrough* church in Tooele just thirty-five miles to the west of us.

In cooperation with the National Home Missions Department and in the interest of the *Breakthrough* project at Tooele, Sister Pilot and I have visited several churches in Colorado, Minnesota, and Wyoming. Wherever we went, we found response to the national *Breakthrough* program gratifying. The Aurora, Colo., assembly had already given a \$300 offering for the Tooele project, but the pastor is so enthusiastic about *Breakthrough* he invited us to come and the church gave another substantial offering. Surely God will bless the generous spirit of these fine assemblies.

We were grateful for the opportunity of presenting Utah's need to our churches. People to whom we ministered who never before realized that Utah is indeed a mission field were made aware of this fact. Their increased interest in this Mormon stronghold will be a blessing to those who are laboring to extend the kingdom in this area.

As we travel, we evaluate the *Breakthrough* program over and over again. The more we evaluate it, the more we feel that this is God's leading. Through concerted effort and through the placing of experienced pioneer pastors backed by our fellowship, we will be able to conquer fields that heretofore have seemed impregnable. Many we contacted, both among the laity and the ministry, expressed their approval of *Breakthrough*—8000 as the need of the hour.

At one church a pastor came to me after the service and said, "It makes one wonder where we have been all these years." I assured him that in years past we have had much sacrificial ministry on the part of our dedicated pioneers, and that we cannot minimize the efforts of bygone days; but that this is an up-to-date program geared to an era of time such as this world has never experienced.

For Utah at least, *Breakthrough* is the answer at the present. We praise God for our *Breakthrough* project, and wish to thank all who have sacrificially given and have shown an interest in this whitened harvest field.

BREAKTHROUGH 8000

NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS SECRETARY



STATISTICS

Religious Affiliation

Only 60 per cent of nearly 185,000,000 Americans are affiliated with any religious body, including Jews, Unitarians, B'Hai, Buddhists, and all.

—*Southern Baptist Home Missions magazine*

Bumper Crop

"There were 4,282,000 babies born last year in the United States—a record.

"And, according to a report by the Public Health Service, the infant death rate reached a new low.

"Those were contributing factors to a new increase of 2,580,000 in the population, without taking immigration into account.

"The service, on the basis of provisional figures, said the 4,282,000 births during 1961 compared with a previous record of 4,257,650 in 1960.

"There were 108,200 infant deaths in 1961, down from 108,800 in 1960, and the infant mortality rate was 25.3 per 1,000 live births, down from the 1960 rate of 25.7, the previous low."

—*Associated Press*

Eastern Statistics

Did you know that...

There are now 66 Assemblies of God churches in the Southern New England District: 25 in Connecticut; 40 in Massachusetts; 1 in Rhode Island?

There are over 60 cities and towns with a population of 10,000 or over in Southern New England without an Assemblies of God voice?

There is only one Assemblies of God member for every 4,000 population in the district?

At the Southern New England District Council, the following figures were presented for Southern New England: 8,543,300 total population, 14,480 square miles, 590 people per square mile, 67 Assemblies of God churches, 2,404 total church membership, 97 cities of 10,000 people or more and no Assembly.

The eastern part of the United States is desperately in need of pioneer workers. In one of the districts there is only one Assemblies of God church for every 120,000 people.

If you are interested in pioneering a church in the East or becoming a vocational volunteer to help a pioneer church, write the following district superintendents:

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND: George E. Flower, 23 Florentine Gardens, Springfield 8, Massachusetts.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND: Carl O. Lindberg, Jr., 283 Main Street, Sanford, Maine.

NEW JERSEY: Frederick D. Eide, 1879 Pennington Road, Trenton, New Jersey.

NEW YORK: Joseph R. Flower, Colvin Station, P.O. Box 1, Syracuse, New York.

If you feel led to pioneer in the East be sure to contact the district superintendents first. They will be able to guide

you concerning the best prospects for opening new churches. Then, when a decision has been made to open a new work in a certain area and satisfactory arrangements have been completed, the prospective pastor should do his best to obtain pledged support from his local church and from individuals interested in extending the kingdom in the East.

DISTRICT BREAKTHROUGH PROJECTS GAINING MOMENTUM

The Assembly of God in White Lake, Wis., recently made a pledge of \$300 to the Breakthrough effort of the Wisconsin-Northern Michigan District.

An established church in Michigan has launched a new pioneer church at a cost of \$31,000.

The Tennessee District has plans made for sponsoring a *Breakthrough* project, and the Georgia District has set aside a week wherein its pastors and churches will unite in a pulpit exchange program in the interest of launching a *Breakthrough* project in a strategic location.

EC INSTITUTES VOCATIONAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

A new organization known as Service Corps of Pentecostal Endeavor (SCOPE) has been instituted by the faculty and students of Evangel College. Questions from students concerning how they could fulfill the Great Commission, though not called into full-time Christian service, resulted in the formation of this program. Its objective is to place every student of Evangel in a position—at home or abroad—where he can practice his vocation and at the same time have an effective and useful Christian witness.

An example of SCOPE's operation is seen in the Norwalk (Connecticut) Breakthrough Project sponsored by the National Home Missions Department. At the inception of the Norwalk endeavor SCOPE solicited volunteers to help there with the new work. One student accepted employment in Norwalk in order that he might work in the new church during his spare time. Pastor Harvey Meppelink reports that the young man "picks up children for Sunday school, teaches Sunday school, ushers for the services, goes on visitation, helps on the church building, and has been a real blessing."

Two graduating students from EC applied for teaching positions in the Norwalk public school system. Four Evangel students spent the entire summer assisting with the work at Norwalk, where they found secular employment.

Besides providing a placement bureau and orientation courses, SCOPE also provides means by which students, while still in college, can fulfill the organization's objectives of Christian service and witness. Children's Bible story hours, ministry in

local YFC Bible clubs, musical teams visiting churches in the surrounding area, teaching Sunday school, leading C. A. groups—these are ways practical training is provided through SCOPE. The students have also organized special prayer groups and are now publishing a monthly newsletter.

The primary purpose of the program has not been to help the established church as much as the new church or the small struggling work. SCOPE's volunteers add their financial support and talents to those of the pastor and congregation to help the work of God progress.

—*Evangel College Vision*

SUPPORT NEEDED FOR NORWALK RADIO RELEASE

Ground was broken at Norwalk, Conn., on September 9 for the new Breakthrough church there and construction is now under way. Since the *Revivaltime* support for broadcasting at Norwalk was only pledged for one year, additional support is needed to keep *Revivaltime* on the air at Norwalk during this critical time when the work is being established.

A single church has sent \$100 every month for the past year to help support Pastor Harvey Meppelink in Norwalk. Now it offers to do so for another year. Four or five such churches together could fully support a pioneer worker.

WHEATON AND CINCINNATI CHURCHES GROWING

The new church at Wheaton, Ill., has already been suffering growing pains and has had to purchase additional equipment and supplies for its expanding Sunday school. In a recent letter the pastor wrote: "The Wheaton story is not closed but continues to grow more astonishing every day."

A telephone call from the pastor of the new Tri-County Assembly in suburban Cincinnati disclosed they had averaged 153 in Sunday school for September. On the first Sunday in October there were 165 present! They had 17 new converts recently.

OTHER NATIONAL PROJECTS

The Breakthrough project at Tooele, Utah, is launched. Sunday school attendance on October 7 was 61. It is expected that the building will be ready for use by Christmas.

A new *Breakthrough* pastor, Daniel Duncan from the Northwest District, has arrived on the scene in Kinston, N. C. Already a fine building has been purchased and the first services were conducted September 30 with 20 in Sunday school and 25 in the evening service. Vocational workers will be needed here also. The North Carolina District's goal for the decade ahead is 70 new Assemblies of God churches!

NEW PAMPHLETS AVAILABLE

Three attractive new pamphlets entitled "Planting Branches," "The Wheaton Story," and "The Cincinnati Story" are available in limited quantities free of charge from the Home Missions Department. These all feature church extension.



Letters from Abroad

MILLIONS OF REVIVALTIME'S FOREIGN listeners, living in isolated areas where there are no churches, have found the broadcast service to be their time to meet with God.

"We want to thank God for the *Revivaltime* broadcast which is heard over station DZAS (Manila) every Sunday morning. It has been a source of inspiration and edification as we regularly listen to the lively singing of spiritual hymns and the anointed preaching of C. M. Ward," writes

C. D. Lagmay of the Philippines.

This letter is but one of more than 440 received by *Revivaltime* from more than forty foreign nations in the past three months. The majority of the writers request *Revivaltime* literature as well as prayers for specific needs.

As in America, *Revivaltime's* foreign releases reach people in every profession. A teacher at a private school in South India writes: "Quite often the *Revivaltime* message is just what I need for the day."

Revivaltime is released over forty-eight foreign radio stations, the largest number being in southern Asia, including *Revivaltime's* newest network of stations in Taiwan (Formosa).

However, these international releases can only be maintained by the continued support of *Revivaltime's* listeners. There are many more millions that can be and must be reached for the Lord. Send your offerings to assist in meeting the airtime cost to REVIVALTIME, BOX 70, SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI.

Revivaltime Choir Tour

ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, THE forty-voice *Revivaltime* choir will set out on its first tour of the new school year. The six-day tour will include stops in Illinois, Wisconsin, and Missouri.

The choir, composed of Central Bible Institute students, is directed by Cyril McLellan, music instructor at CBI in Springfield, Missouri. An important part of the *Revivaltime* broadcast service, the choir helps to minister to the worldwide radio audience each week. In addition it ministers through personal engagements and long-playing records.

An Illinois listener writes: "The song, 'There's Room at the Cross for You,' is so anointed that if I wake up in the night I hear it again."

We trust many friends will be able to hear the choir while it is on tour. If you live within driving distance of one of these services, invite a friend to accompany you and attend the meeting.

ITINERARY

Tuesday, November 20: Mattoon, Illinois, First Assembly of God, J. A. Drysdale, pastor.

Wednesday, November 21: Joliet, Illinois, First Assembly of God, Leslie Gamble, pastor.

Thursday, November 22: Kenosha, Wisconsin, Assembly of God, Earl C. Scharnick, pastor.

Friday, November 23: Hammond, Indiana, First Assembly of God, Gordon H. Matheny, pastor.

Sunday, November 25: St. Charles, Missouri, First Assembly of God, Von D. Kelly, pastor.

World Prayermeeting Today

TODAY, IN THE SAN BERNARDINO Municipal Auditorium and in prayer groups around the world, dedicated prayer warriors will join with the *Revivaltime* team in the Thanksgiving World Prayermeeting.

Theme for this Prayermeeting is: "BUT PRAYER WAS MADE" (Acts 12: 5). Prayer requests for many needs have been distributed to each prayer group participating. God has power to bring deliverance and to solve any problems in life—salvation of loved ones, spiritual problems, financial needs, or a need for healing—and He will, in answer to prayer.

The Prayermeeting is the culmination of a month-long intercessory prayer emphasis sponsored by the Women's Missionary Council and Men's Fellowship groups across the nation. Today these groups unite with *Revivaltime* in interceding for some thirty thousand prayer requests.

A participant in last year's service in her local church writes: "It was so wonderful and sweet. I prayed for those people on my list, I prayed as

if they were my own relatives. I knew I was doing what Jesus in heaven wanted me to do—to pray for others."

Join with us today in prayer, either in your local prayer group or in your own living room. Pray in faith, believing that with God all things are possible! "



Municipal Auditorium in San Bernardino, Calif., where the Thanksgiving World Prayermeeting is being held today.

I Met God on My Deathbed

THE PERSONAL TESTIMONY OF BOB KIRKENDALL, ALINE, OKLAHOMA

NO ONE WAS EVER MORE OBSTINATE than I. Even on my deathbed I scorned those who tried to help me to find God. I marvel at the change that has taken place in my heart. Where once there was rebellion against Him, there is now zeal for my Saviour.

My story goes back to October 1950 and my first time to be away from home. It was then I enrolled in a business college at Hutchinson, Kansas, at the age of twenty.

Before I left home, my mother had asked me to attend church regularly. This I did for a time, but I had gone to church only a few times in my whole life and had no knowledge of spiritual things, so I soon lost interest. Influenced by a friend, I began to smoke and to drink.

On April 23, 1951, while riding on my motorcycle south of Wichita, I hit a rough intersection. I was traveling about sixty-five miles an hour. My motorcycle began to bounce, and I saw a truck coming toward me. Since I was losing control of my cycle, I headed for the ditch to avoid a head-on collision. At the edge of a wheat field my front wheel dropped into a furrow, the cycle stopped, and I nearly went into orbit. I landed on the back of my head and left shoulder.

At St. Francis Hospital in Wichita they found I had a broken neck. The fifth vertebra was crushed and the nerves severed. I was paralyzed from the neck down. They placed a halter on my head and used various devices. Finally, to hold my neck more firmly, the doctor ordered a neck brace which I wore for three months.

I lay in the hospital seven weeks and two days. During all this time I was unable to move any part of my body except my head.

On June 13, the doctors said I could be taken home. They had done all they could for me, and only time would tell the results.

My mother, dad, brothers, and sis-

ters all helped to care for me. Six months passed. They were filled with almost unbearable pain. The tissues of my flesh broke down and pressure sores developed. Twice I was hospitalized in the General Hospital at Enid, Oklahoma.

Finally in January, 1952, I was taken to a specialist. After examining me the doctors shook their heads and sent me home to die.

My body was weak and weary; my heart grew hard and bitter. With summer the intense heat became unbearable. The pressure sores on my shoulder blades grew worse and the pain was so great I was unable to lie down except for a few hours at night. The day came when I gave up and resigned myself to death.

In September two ladies came to see me. They talked to me about God—who He was and what He could do for me if I would trust Him. They invited me to a revival meeting where the church would pray for my healing. I said I would go, but inwardly I was laughing and mocking at what they said.

The next day I asked Mother to bring me some beer from town. She returned without it and this made me angry. While in town Mother had made arrangements with the ladies to take me to the revival that night. She knew *something* had to be done, for I was slowly dying and man could do nothing for me.

At first I rebelled and refused to go, but after much pleading I said, "If it will satisfy you, I'll go."

Mother got me ready and the whole family went to the meeting. I was carried into the tent and laid on a bed. My body was full of sores. My speech, hearing, and sight were very weak.

As I watched the people sing, pray, and worship God, I thought they were crazy. After the sermon, the people came forward in response to the altar call and the preacher pointed to me,

saying, "We are going to pray for this boy." He knelt by my bed, laid his hands on my head and chest, and prayed for God to touch my body. I felt something like an electric shock from head to foot. My sight, speech, and hearing were instantly strengthened; health and strength began to flow into my body.

I went back to the meetings night after night. I missed only a few nights in four weeks of that revival. God took my heart of stone and gave me a heart full of love for Him. I now had a desire to live. I had something to live for.

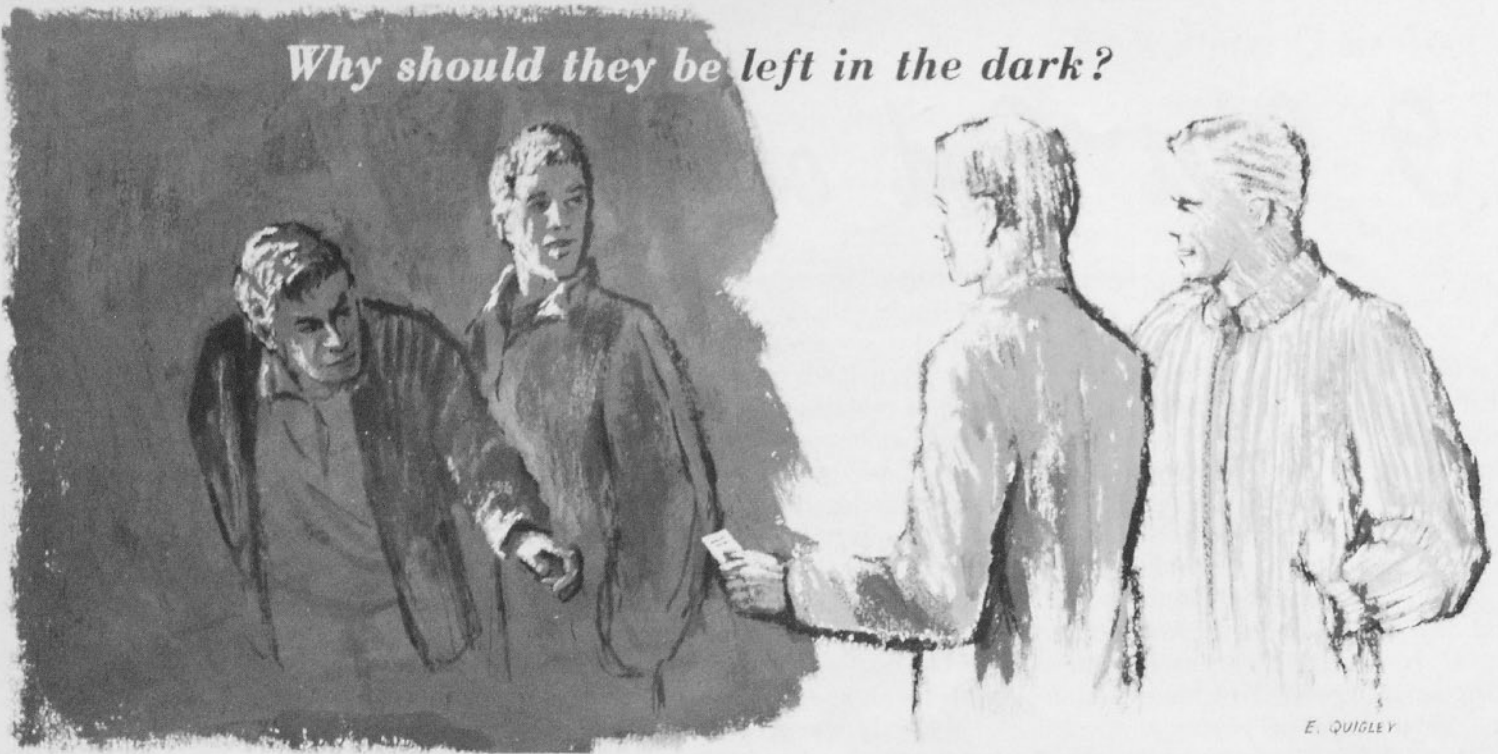
One day in the summer of 1953 a storm came up. Our neighbor lady who was staying with me went to close the windows in her house, leaving me alone. While she was gone, I started worshiping God and suddenly a light appeared on the ceiling with writing in it. I said, "Lord, I can't read that." Like a flash the writing disappeared and I saw myself standing behind a pulpit preaching the gospel.

From this time on I knew why God had spared my life. He had called me to preach. In July 1954 I preached my first sermon in a little Assemblies of God church. I could not stand behind the pulpit; I had to sit on a folding bed while I preached. Later I obtained a wheelchair. Then God gave me a Sunday school class of young people to teach.

Although I am still confined to my wheelchair, I never doubt God's power to change a man in soul, mind, and body. I preach His infallible Word at every opportunity. God's joy, which is my strength, flows like a river in my soul. I am thankful I put my trust in a living God who is ready to deliver anyone who will call upon Him.

(The author, Robert N. Kirkendall, is an exhorter in the Oklahoma District. He is known as the wheelchair minister.)

Why should they be left in the dark?



C.A.'s to Launch Nationwide **CRASH LITERATURE PROGRAM**

ONE MILLION TEENS REACHED IN one week with the gospel! That's the goal of the 100,000 Christ's Ambassadors, youth arm of the Assemblies of God, during January 6-13, 1963, as they take part in OPERATION SATURATION. This crash literature program is sponsored by the National Christ's Ambassadors Department.

During the week, C.A.'s will concentrate their thrust by using one evangelism piece, a tiny booklet entitled *Chicken*. This 16-page booklet, measuring just 2¼ by 3½ inches, is written in teen language. It is hard-hitting, interest-arousing, and packs a powerful gospel message.

Author of the booklet is Dave Wilkerson, director of Teen-Age Evangelism, New York City. He and his workers have already distributed several hundred thousand of these booklets, and many souls have been saved through this one piece of literature. *Chicken* has also been used successfully among teen-agers of all strata of society in all parts of the country. One million copies of the new edition have just been printed by the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri, in cooperation with the National

C. A. Department. These will sell at the cost price of \$6 for 1,000.

Underlying OPERATION SATURATION is a sense of urgency of reaching teens with the gospel now. And *teens reaching teens with the gospel* will have a greater impact than any other method of youth evangelism. Christ's Ambassadors are being urged to saturate their own high schools with the booklets during this literature campaign.

OPERATION SATURATION coincides with the Week of Prayer designated by General Superintendent T. F. Zimmerman and the executive officers of the Assemblies of God. C. A. efforts during the week should be saturated with prayer. Prayer and work go together. The evangelism emphasis during the Week of Prayer will strengthen the prayer life and personal consecration of the C.A.'s.

Pastors and youth leaders are being requested to conduct teen surveys of their communities. They should order enough copies of *Chicken* to reach every teen-ager of the community.

A specially prepared issue of the *Christ's Ambassadors Guide* contains complete program and planning helps

for OPERATION SATURATION. A copy has already been mailed to regular *Guide* subscribers; copies will also be included in a special packet being mailed to all churches at the present time. The packet also contains a sample of the *Chicken* booklet.

"I urge all pastors and C.A.'s to cooperate in OPERATION SATURATION," says Howard S. Bush, executive director of the National C. A. Department and an assistant general superintendent of the Assemblies of God. "I feel the time is ripe for this emphasis and that God will bless our efforts with souls. An evangelism activity such as this can revolutionize the youth of our movement and bring revival to our churches."

(Further information on OPERATION SATURATION and on ordering the booklets to be used is included in the advertisement on page 21.)

WEEK OF PRAYER

January 6—12, 1963

"It is time to seek the Lord"

Child's Crushed Body Healed

I CRIED TEARS OF JOY WHEN THEY cut the cast from my four-year-old daughter's body. For just a few weeks before (on August 17, 1961), I had rushed to the door of our home to see little Pamela lying, a crumpled heap, between the rear wheels of a car.

She was so badly crushed that it required five men to place her in the ambulance. At the emergency room of North Plains Hospital at Borger, Texas, they X-rayed her and found her right leg broken in three places, her left in two, her left hip crushed, her left arm broken, a skull fracture extending from front to back, and a hole in the right side of her head (this reached to within a fraction of an inch of her brain).

Our family physician told us, "She is in a very, very critical condition. She will be lucky to live twenty-four hours. It will be better if she goes, because with that severe head injury she will never be right."

I knew then that he had given up all hope, *but I had not!*

My husband and I, together with friends, and joined by a doctor and nurses (who were working with her) stood at her bedside and prayed. As we all opened our hearts to God, suddenly a peace came over me and fear left. I could see nothing but my little girl running and playing.

On the third day we moved her by ambulance to Amarillo. She was still unconscious. Although we could see little improvement, she had passed the crisis. Much publicity had been given to the case, and most of the churches in that area were making special prayer for us.

On the eighth day she recognized both her daddy and me. The next day she was able to say "Mama" and "Daddy." The brain specialist had thought she would need surgery, but when she regained consciousness her memory was perfect. He said, "No surgery is necessary. A Higher Power has taken over."

A bone specialist took more X rays and told us that her left hip was so badly crushed it would probably require surgery. However, after three weeks in traction they put her in a

cast extending from the tips of her toes to under her arms. He said she would need to wear the cast from four to six months. We took her home, but he asked us to return in three weeks for a check-up.

With many Christian friends, we spent those three weeks praying that God would perform a miracle. Praise God, He did! When we took her back for the check-up, they took X rays through the cast. After the doctor had studied the pictures he came in smiling and said, "Someone greater than I has taken over. Her bones are completely grown together!"

That very day they removed the cast. Today, a year later, Pamela is running and playing without any kind of surgery. I am so happy because I know that we are serving a miracle-working God who is the same yesterday, today, and forever.—Mrs. Billy Wilcox, Phillips, Texas.

Steel Brace Discarded

HOW I PRAISE GOD FOR A FAITHFUL pastor and his wife who prayed for me often and encouraged me to put my faith in the Lord.

Stricken on April 17, 1961, with a dislocated disc in my back, I was put under the constant care of a doctor. I suffered terrible pain and was taking eight pain capsules daily. At the beginning of my affliction I was bed-fast for nineteen weeks. After months of suffering, my whole right side was paralyzed from my hip to my toes.

My doctor secured a steel brace for me. This enabled me to be up and around and to go to Sunday school and church. I wore the brace for seven months.

At the pre-Easter revival (April 1962) conducted in our church by Evangelist George Sutherland, I was miraculously and instantly healed. As I sat in the service, the call was given for those who wanted healing. The Lord spoke to me and said, "It is for you."

When I went home I took the brace off and have never worn it since. I had not been able to work, and although I wore the brace I was never without pain. The doctor said I would need to wear it for the rest of my life!

The day after my healing I did all my housework. I feel like a new per-

son and my neighbors are amazed at what has happened to me. The taxi driver who used to take me to the doctor met me on the street and could not believe it was I.

I am now teaching a Junior girls' class in Sunday school, am secretary of the WMC, and visit nursing homes every week as a worker in the Extension Department.—Mrs. Harriet Haines, 507 North H Street, Oskaloosa, Iowa.

(Endorsed by Pastor Max Johnson, Assembly of God, Oskaloosa, Iowa)

MORALS

(Continued from page thirteen)

on wealth, one side of their son's education was being sadly neglected. In his adult life the son was continually torn between wanting to be rich and wanting to be good. His inner strength had not been cultivated to a depth where he was enabled to stand against his greater desire. In order to satisfy his cravings for affluence he sacrificed his honesty. In his work he embezzled a little here, a little there, until retribution caught up with him.

If children are taught that the main goal in life is not money, or even prominence, but rather to be a good person, how much better our society would be! Many thoughtful parents, teachers, and religious educators work tirelessly to help develop ideals and goals toward this end.

In appraising our standards how serious are we? Do our children know what is expected of them? Deliberate teaching is a must. We have no real wisdom or goodness of our own. How we need to search our hearts through prayer and Bible study and go to God, the source of all help, to aid us in sowing worthwhile seeds and cultivating them in the lives of our children.

If we do this we are assured not only of success but of good success, for God's promise to Joshua, the man of lofty standards, was this: "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success" (Joshua 1:8). ❧



SPEAKING OF BOOKS

BY RUSSELL P. SPITTLER

As a service to Evangel readers the price and order number are given for each book. All books reviewed here may be obtained from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

● *THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE HOLY*, by A. W. Tozer. 128 pages. \$3.00. Order number, 3 RV 1867.

True Christian experience begins and ends with the knowledge of God. Jesus Himself defined eternal life in terms of knowledge: "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent" (John 17:3).

In this recent book, Dr. A. W. Tozer sketches for the devotional heart what is neatly expressed in the subtitle of the book—"the attributes of God: their meaning in the Christian life."

The book combines instruction and devotion. Its theology is systematic and its devotion is inspiring.

"The Church," remarks Dr. Tozer in the preface, "has surrendered her once lofty concept of God and has substituted for it one so low, so ignoble, as to be utterly unworthy of thinking, worshipping men. . . . With our loss of the sense of majesty has come the further loss of religious awe from consciousness of the divine Presence. . . . Modern Christianity is simply not producing the kind of Christian who can appreciate or experience the life in the Spirit."

With wrong ideas of God, it is no wonder all sorts of wrong values have crept into the Church. Dr. Tozer stoutly believes that the only cure for this spiritual malady is a revitalization of the Christian idea of God. As a help in that direction, he has given us this book.

Disclaiming to be a technical theological treatise, the book opens with a convincing essay on "why we must think rightly about God." Then it bids us to be content with such knowledge of God as is revealed, while recognizing that other things must be true about God which are too big for our human minds.

One by one a dozen and a half "things which are true about God" (that is how the author defines an "attribute") are considered, each in a separate chapter. You will read about

God's self-sufficiency, His wisdom, His faithfulness, His holiness, among others.

The chapter on the sovereignty of God expresses a sanely balanced view of God's unhindered control of the universe, a view that moves the reader toward an understanding of the perplexing problems of how evil can exist and how man's will can be free in a universe where God is yet sovereign.

Dr. Tozer is an experienced pastor and a penetrating writer. Any reader already familiar with his devotional writings will welcome this fresh and rewarding review of the greatest of all theological questions—what God is like. The secret lies between the covers of your Bible.

● *OUR HEAVENLY FATHER*, by Helmut Thielicke. 157 pages. \$3.00. Order number, 3 RV 2204.

A fraction of us have experienced war. Only a fraction. The rest of us shudder at photographs we have seen.

Picture what it must have been like to meet in a church, half of which had been bombed out. Maybe the service would be interrupted by a screaming siren announcing another bombing raid.

It was during circumstances like these that German Pastor Helmut Thielicke originally preached these sermons. These are "war sermons"—dramatic and gripping in their setting as in their wording.

Shepherd over the Church of the Hospitallers in Stuttgart, Pastor Thielicke witnessed the eventual destruction of his church—the building. With simple addresses like these on the Lord's Prayer, he comforted the harried German people with the gospel.

Recent years have witnessed a boom of interest in Nazi Germany. William L. Shirer's massive history, *The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich*, reached the best seller list. The Eichmann trial created no small stir. Only now, at this safe distance from the hostilities of World War II, are the writings of a number of anti-Nazi churchmen find-

ing an American audience. At this distance, we can learn without violent emotional reaction that there were true German Christians not swayed by the fanatical dreams of Adolf Hitler.

One of the most popular of the new German preachers is Helmut Thielicke, now rector of the University of Hamburg. At least five volumes from his hand have been put into English. *Our Heavenly Father* is one of his best.

This volume presents eleven sermons, each on a phrase from the Lord's Prayer. The sermons will strike the reader as different from most he has read. They are not punchy or humorous. There is little if any piece-by-piece exposition of texts. Illustrations are few, though convincing. It's difficult to say where discussion stops and application begins. The two seem to run along side by side. An air of somber seriousness prevails.

These German preachers have a way of flip-flopping ordinary beliefs. For example: "My friends, doesn't it strike you as it does me, that in the Lord's Prayer there is not a single petition that asks God to make me a sanctified, devout, and stoutly believing man, not a single petition that asks him to help me make progress in sanctification? . . . Expressed in other words, whereas we would think that the prayer could say, and quite rightly say, 'Lord, lead me to further sanctification of my life,' Jesus turns our attention away from ourselves, even from our pious selves, and concentrates it upon the Father. The prayer is not, 'May I be hallowed,' but 'Thy name be hallowed.' . . . We should not begin with our own holiness, our own moral advance, but rather concentrate our whole prayer on this one thing, that God may become holy to us, that he may occupy the ruling place."

Those who have read the sermons of Spurgeon, Talmage, or Lee will find these somewhat more sophisticated, though no less spiritually provocative. Thielicke is a philosopher and a theologian as well as one of Europe's best known preachers. But the challenge of this type of written sermons will be appreciated by ministers and laymen who are craving something with depth.

HAVE YOU HAD DAILY FAMILY ALTAR THIS WEEK?

USE GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY



Canadian Assemblies Elect New Officers

Thomas Johnstone of Toronto, Ont., was elected general superintendent of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada at the denomination's 23rd biennial general conference held at Edmonton, Alta., in September.

Brother Johnstone, who formerly was director of home missions and Bible colleges, succeeds Walter E. McAlister who, at the age of 66, retired this year after ten years as top leader.

Those returned to office at the conference were C. M. Wortman, general secretary; James Montgomery, executive director of Sunday school and youth; George R. Upton, executive director of overseas missions; Carl Stiller, executive director of home missions and Bible colleges. Ivan D. Raymer was elected assistant general superintendent for Eastern Canada and Carman Lynn was named assistant general superintendent for Western Canada.

Membership in the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada (700 local churches) has increased from 95,131 to 143,877 in the past ten years—a growth of 51 per cent—according to the government's 1961 census which showed it to be the fastest-growing denomination in Canada.

Delegates were told of growth in the Men's Fellowship, Women's Missionary Council, Sunday School, and Christ's Ambassadors branches of the movement. The Canadian young people have a "Wing the Word" program—similar to the American Speed-the-Light program—which has provided 86 vehicles or other equipment pieces for the missionaries.

An increasing number of younger boys and girls are enrolled in an organization called "Pentecostal Crusaders."

Five Bible colleges are in operation across the Dominion. Last May these schools graduated 96 young men and women, most of whom are now engaged in gospel ministry.

Retirement homes are operated at Toronto, Ont., Nipawin, Sask., and Waterboro, N. B.

A hospital situated in Hay River, North West Territories, is staffed entirely by Pentecostal doctors and nurses. Dr. Cherer G. Penny, formerly a medical missionary in Rhodesia, has charge of the hospital which is subsidized by the Canadian government.

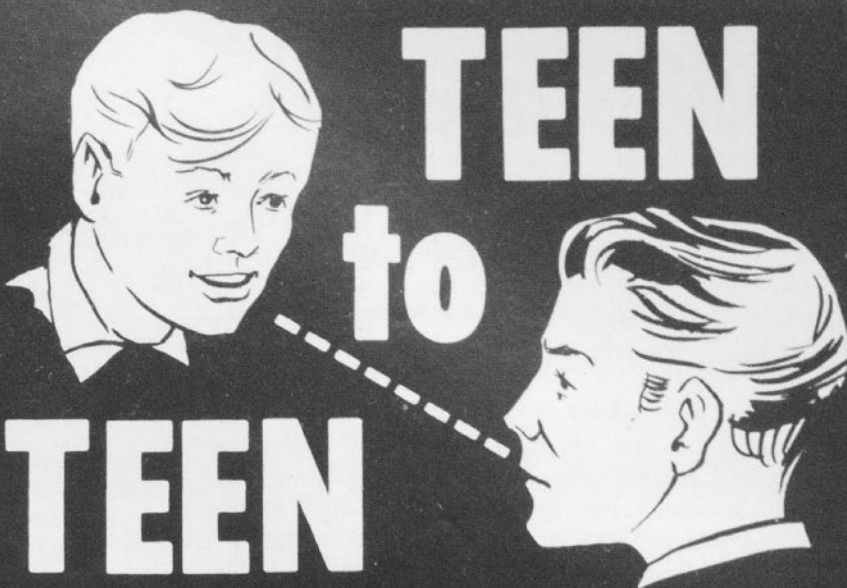
The Canadian assemblies have 120 home missionaries working among the Eskimos, Indians, and various ethnic groups across the country.

In Vancouver, Victoria, and Calgary their missionaries are working among the Chinese. Two of the missionaries are Chinese.

In Quebec, largest province in the Dominion, there are now 32 French-speaking ministers who have established churches in this French-speaking and predominantly Roman Catholic province.

There are 95 overseas missionaries active at the present time, including 32 in Kenya. A recent survey reported that the Pentecostal churches represent the largest part of the Christian community in that part of East Africa, numbering some 98,000 members.

NOVEMBER 18, 1962



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A HARD-HITTING CAMPAIGN TO REACH A MILLION YOUNG PEOPLE FOR CHRIST . . .

Operation Saturation! C.A.'s nationwide are being enlisted to distribute a massive million-copy printing of the dramatic little booklet, "Chicken," during the week of January 6. The entire purpose of this crash program is gospel impact. In many high schools, for example, we hope to place "Chicken" in the hands of every student! Such coverage won't be ignored. Operation Saturation coincides with the Universal Week of Prayer and the special Prayer Week designated by the General Council. What better way to combine an intensive prayer emphasis with a vital evangelistic outreach than to enlist your C.A.'s in Operation Saturation!

OPERATION SATURATION
JANUARY 6-13



The key witnessing "piece" for Operation Saturation is the tiny (2 1/4" x 3 1/2") sixteen-page booklet, "Chicken," written by Teen-Age Evangelism director Devid Wilkerson. It has already proved itself in use among teen-agers in many areas. Its straight-from-the-shoulder teen-talk preaches Christ as the only answer. Our huge printing order for Operation Saturation has pushed the price down so low that any C. A. group can afford all it will need to carry out an effective Operation Saturation. Order yours today—and don't underestimate the quantity. Reach all the teens of your community during Operation Saturation.

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A REBELLIOUS SON

Sunday School Lesson for November 25, 1962

2 SAMUEL 15:1-10; 1 CORINTHIANS 10:11-13

David had been guilty of murder and adultery; and to his horror he saw his own sons commit these very same crimes. Amnon, his eldest son, violated Tamar, sister to Absalom. Then in revenge Absalom murdered Amnon and fled to Geshur in Syria. After spending five years in exile Absalom was reconciled to his father David.

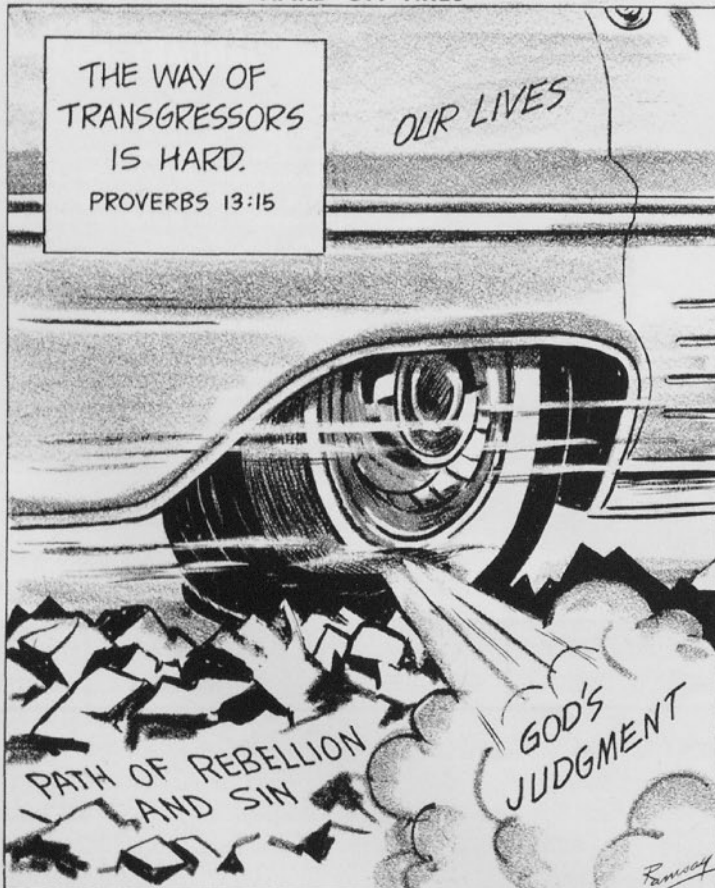
However, the events of our lesson prove David had nursed a viper in his bosom, for Absalom set up a plot to dethrone him.

POPULARITY DISHONESTLY GAINED

Absalom began to conduct an electioneering program in which he used almost every trick of the most unscrupulous politician. David had won the hearts of the people by his sincere love for them and by noble and courageous deeds in their behalf. Now, in contrast, Absalom "stole the hearts of the men of Israel" by methods which found their origin in the pit of hell. He persuaded them by—

Outward Show (v. 1). Absalom was determined to dazzle the people with his splendor and magnificence, and thus blind them into following him. In order to attract the people to himself he put on a big front.

HARD ON TIRES



What a far cry from the old days when Samuel, a truly great man of God walked on foot—driving a heifer before him—to anoint Absalom's father!

1. True nobility does not need to advertise itself; it shines with its own glory!

2. Success in the realm of politics may come by outward show, but not so in spiritual matters. "For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost." (See Luke 17:20; Romans 14:17.)

Diligence (v. 2). "Absalom rose up early." Because he had a fixed purpose and driving ambition, he worked steadily toward his goal.

If only God's children were as wise in their work for the Lord as some men are wise in their work for the world! The intelligence, energy, ambition, and perseverance of worldly business people is a stern rebuke to the feeble halfhearted way in which some Christians carry on their service for the Lord.

Courtesy. Absalom made a point of arising early to intercept those who would go to the king for help and advice. To each person who came along he was especially courteous and pretended to take a personal interest in his welfare.

Flattery (v. 3). Here Absalom resorted to a very successful method of *baiting* human nature. Nothing appeals so strongly to human pride and self-love as flattery. And how many are led astray thereby!

Criticism. "But there is no man deputed of the king to hear thee." Absalom insinuated that David's administration was not as efficient as it should be.

Promises (v. 4). We read nothing of Absalom's virtue, wisdom, or spirituality. There is nothing to indicate he possessed outstanding qualities, yet he wanted to be king! Like many a modern politician Absalom was lavish with campaign promises.

REBELLION SUCCESSFULLY RAISED

Rebellion Carefully Planned (vv. 7-10).

1. Absalom carefully chose Hebron, David's former capital, as the place from which to begin his revolt. This was calculated to take advantage of the jealousy of its people toward the new capital in Jerusalem.

2. He concealed his wicked purpose in a religious cloak.

3. He persuaded Ahithophel, David's trusted counselor and friend, to betray the king and act as the "brains" of the plot.

Rebellion Perpetrated (2 Samuel 15:13-15). Absalom's clever conspiracy succeeded and David was forced to flee from his own son whom he loved and trusted! Absalom's whole life purpose seems to have been to attract people to himself and to use them to serve his purposes.

This same motive has caused so much strife and heartache in many churches. Thus we will do well to examine our motives. Are we seeking in our church work to attract attention to ourselves and to secure public recognition and glory? Whatsoever we do is to be done "as unto the Lord." This means we must do it for His glory and out of love for Him. Only those works which have been motivated by love will pass the fiery test of the Judgment Seat of Christ. May we so live and labor as to stand before Him unashamed!

—J. Bashford Bishop



Outpost Commander Robert Reid of the Webster Park Assembly of God, Springfield, Mo., is shown enlisting new boys into the local *Royal Ranger* program.

What Royal Rangers Did for My Church

BY WILLIAM HASSLER

Pastor, Webster Park Assembly of God, Springfield, Mo.

FOR SOME TIME I HAVE HAD A DEEP burden for the boys of my church and community. Many times I have prayed, "Dear Lord, help our church to inspire these boys to serve God with all their hearts." We needed a program or plan to reach boys and young men. Then I read this announcement, "Assemblies of God to launch new boys program, ROYAL RANGERS." Immediately I interviewed Johnnie Barnes, the national supervisor of this program. He explained the purpose and the goals of ROYAL RANGERS. This program designed to reach boys, to teach boys, and keep boys for Christ was just what our church needed. We immediately put ROYAL RANGERS into operation.

Robert Reid became our outpost



Pastor William Hassler and Outpost Commander Robert Reid examine a copy of the *Royal Ranger* camping handbook.

commander. His spirituality, experience, and love for boys made him an ideal leader. Bob worked untiringly at promoting ROYAL RANGERS. Hikes, cook-outs, trips and projects were planned and carried out. The church and parents were kept informed of the activities of the outpost through a mimeographed newspaper edited by Commander Reid. Under his leadership our group continued to grow.

Then things began to happen at our church. Because ROYAL RANGERS requires boys to attend Sunday school, boys who had never attended Sunday school before began to attend. We began to visit the parents of our ROYAL RANGERS who were not attending church. Because of our interest in their boys, we were welcomed in their homes. Soon many of the mothers and dads began to attend also. Our Sunday school increased.

Some of the young men began to accept Christ during the Outpost meetings. Soon a number were converted. We were having a revival among our ROYAL RANGERS.

This spiritual stirring began to spread into other departments of the church. Our entire church seemed to take on new spiritual life.

The boys themselves have become a real blessing to the church. They are engaged in passing out tracts, doing church visitation, helping in street services, and other forms of Christian service.

Recently some of the boys approached me asking the question, "Pas-

tor, what can I do to help out around the church?" What a thrill to see boys eager to work for Christ and His church.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Assemblies of God for beginning the new boys program, ROYAL RANGERS. I would encourage other pastors to establish ROYAL RANGERS in their churches. This program will be a real blessing to any congregation. "

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SOUTH AFRICA DIGEST



Visitors admire Loenser Ebenezer Temple, Virginia, on its dedication day.

The discovery of gold 15 years ago transformed the sparsely settled farms of South Africa into modern cities with populations of 100,000. Our missionaries and national workers have been reaching these cities with the gospel. New churches have been dedicated recently in Winburg, Virginia, and Odendaalsrust.

Revivals in the Hammanskraal area north of the gold fields are leading to the need for building new churches in this part of South Africa.

Missionaries on the spot in the gold fields and Hammanskraal report on the advance of the gospel in these areas:

VIRGINIA

Brilliant sunshine shed its radiance on 700 Africans, Europeans, and missionaries who attended the

dedication of the new church in Virginia. National Evangelist Philip Molefe cut the ribbon and the church was opened to the sound of a choir singing, "God Bless South Africa, Land That I Love..."

In spite of many problems and difficulties, God is blessing South Africa. The opening of the Virginia Assembly is another token of this blessing. The church is also a monument to the faithful labors of Brother and Sister Eugene Grams and the African workers who have erected the building and guided the spiritual progress of the congregation.

Named "Loenser Ebenezer Temple," the church was erected in honor of C. W. Loenser, superintendent of the German branch of the Assemblies of God in America. Missionaries E. D. Pettenger,

Lewis Wilson, and Eugene Grams participated in the dedication. The location superintendent and the manager of European affairs represented government officials at the services. These officials, Messrs. Smith and Scott, made it possible to obtain the building site in Virginia.—Fred Burke

WINBURG

Winburg is a small white town about 200 miles south of Johannesburg on the main road to Cape Town. The African settlement is a mile from the town. It has a

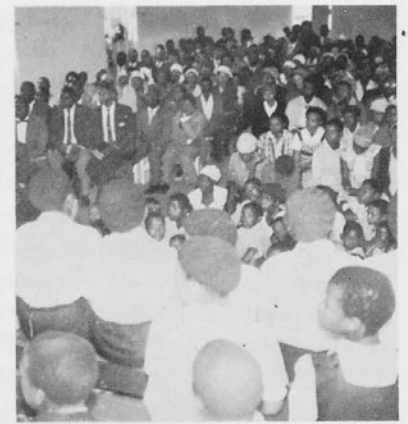


Missionary Vernon Pettenger delivers the dedication message for the new Assembly in Winburg.

variety of houses from tin shanties to small brick-and-stone ones with iron roofs. The "streets" of the African village are dirty and dusty. It was to this settlement the Lord called a young African, David

Pinda, to preach the gospel. David is a graduate of our African Bible Training Institute and loves to work for God.

He held meetings first in the open, and later in tents. David won the hearts of both the villagers and the authorities in the area. The superintendent of the African Location especially encouraged the work. A church site was granted and the new building



Crowd packs the church at Winburg on the day of dedication.

dedicated recently. Missionaries, representatives from other churches, and visiting choirs participated in the dedication.—Edgar Pettenger

ODENDAALSRUST

At four o'clock Sunday afternoon Everett Phillips, Field Secretary for Africa, cut the ribbon and officially opened the new house of worship at Odendaalsrust. Only part of the overflow crowd could get into the new building but few seemed to care that the service continued until 8:30 that night.

The visiting choir from Sharpeville thrilled the listeners with "The Hallelujah Chorus" and the Alberton choir sang two Zulu narrative songs. As late afternoon shadows fell and darkness came, two Coleman lanterns were lighted so the meeting could continue.

Brother Phillips spoke from Matthew 16:18, clearly declaring that the Church to be built in Africa cannot be made with blocks and mortar—for it is a living Church and must be made of living stones.

Offering time at such services is especially important. Although most of the visiting friends had



Missionary Eugene Grams greets the congregation at the dedication of Loenser Ebenezer Temple in Virginia, South Africa.

no building in their own town in which to worship, they had come prepared to give in the dedication offering. From their low incomes most of them had brought a pound (\$2.80). In turn, each visiting church delegation marched forward with its gift. When the gifts were counted, it was announced that the cheerful but sacrificial offerings amounted to \$930—one-third of the total building cost!

Laymen, national ministers, and missionaries left the meeting with a song of rejoicing, for the church of Jesus Christ is advancing in South Africa!—*Lewis Wilson*



Two tents are used in the Hammanskraal area to bring the gospel to many settlements and villages.

HAMMANSKRAAL

An area-wide evangelistic campaign was launched last January in the Hammanskraal area. There is no established Pentecostal work in this vast region where about 100,000 people live.

Sponsored by Global Conquest, the campaign was begun in a tent belonging to Evangelist Sebastian Malamb. The first meeting was held in Themba Township—the gateway to the Hammanskraal

their Saviour. Some were marvelously healed. The headman of Leboneng demonstrated his healing from partial paralysis by walking and leaping.

After several weeks in Leboneng the tent was moved to Bosplaats where we already had a small group of believers. Many more turned to the Lord for salvation. Among those converted was a woman witch doctor who confessed to horrible witchcraft. The people of the area feared her. Every three weeks she would claim to "die" for three days. When she came out of her trances she uttered much false prophecy. Her conversion greatly encouraged others to forsake their sins and heathen darkness.

I set up my tent so simultaneous revivals could be held in Kekana and Mekapontstad. The Kekana chief, who had known me as a boy, welcomed our evangelistic team to his village. The chief told his people of the influence missionaries had had on his early life and that he appreciated their ministry.

The first man to come forward for salvation was a minister of a denominational church. He came to us night after night to inquire more about our work.

It was a thrill to see hundreds at the altar each night. Attendance reached more than one thousand each service with as many as 700 coming for salvation. It encouraged our hearts to hear believers speak with tongues and glorify God as they were filled with the Holy Spirit. Each night as many as six lines of people waited for prayer for healing. A missionary or national worker headed each prayer line. It did not matter to the people whether black hands or white were laid on them; *Christ's* hands did the work.

The principal of the local junior high school was saved during the meetings. She testified that not only she, but her entire school, had been changed.

Many came to Christ at Maka-

ponstad under the anointed ministry of national evangelists John Kongkobe and Nyatlo. A number were healed.

In protest of the campaign, ministers of other churches formed a delegation and complained to the chief that we were taking away their members. The chief sent his brother to investigate. It was testimony time when the chief's brother entered the tent. Tsotsie young people (teen-age gangsters) were telling how they had been saved. Their changed lives so moved the chief's brother that he stood and gave thanks for the efforts to convert his people from their wicked lives. "I thank God for this tent!" he said, "As far as I am concerned it can remain indefinitely." The tent remained for six weeks!

The high light of the area-wide campaign was a weekend convention. Workers and believers

came from Pretoria and Sekukuniland, from Potgietersrust and northern Transvaal, from Rustenburg and western Transvaal. Among them was a chief, recently converted, who was eager to work for the Lord.

J. Philip Hogan, Foreign Missions Executive Director, and E. L. Phillips, Field Secretary for Africa, participated in the convention. After a stirring message by Brother Hogan, Missionary Fred Burke led a reconsecration service.

The results of these Global Conquest campaigns have been far reaching. Six congregations have been established. Chiefs in other villages have requested that the tent be pitched in their area.

The campaigns continue in other areas. Pray with us for God's continued blessing on the work of evangelism in South Africa.—*John S. Richards*



Overflow crowd stands outside the new church in Odendaalsrust during the dedication.

area. Numbers of people accepted Christ and many were healed as the Lord confirmed His Word with signs following. The Africans looked on in amazement as they saw the Lord show His saving and healing power.

From Themba, the campaign moved to Leboneng, two miles down the road, where Missionary E. E. Shaffer's home-made tent (50 by 80 feet) was erected. Here again many accepted Christ as

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

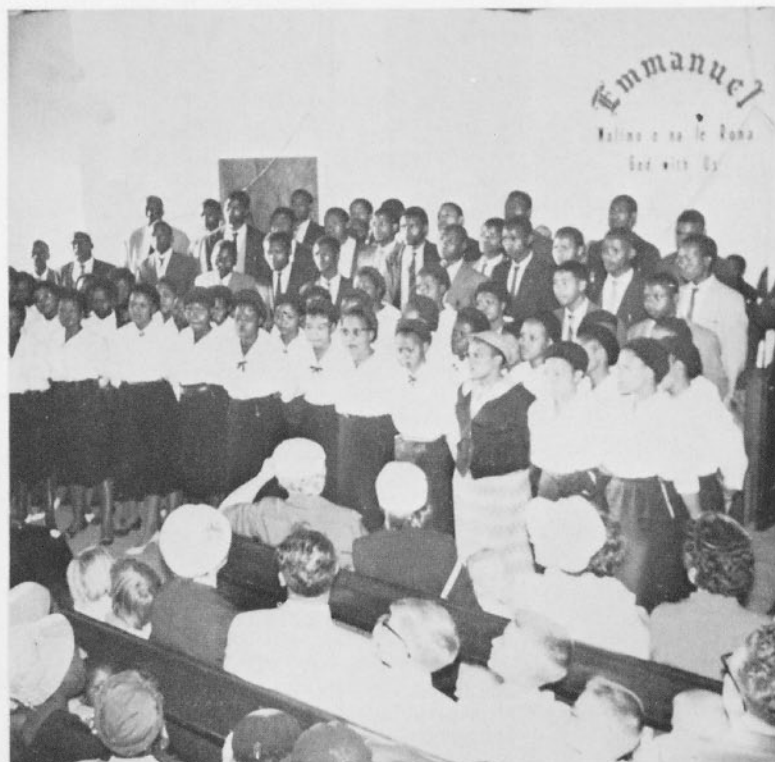
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DEWITT, Ark.—Pastor and Mrs. Robert Bowden (in front of pulpit at left) and Evangelist and Mrs. Burl Rogers (at right) are shown with the crowd attending the First Assembly during a meeting with the Musical Rogers of Tulsa, Okla. A total of 13 were saved.

DALLAS, TEX.—A two-week revival has just been concluded at the Skyline East Assembly of God with Evangelist and Mrs. Jimmy Merritt. Their ministry was a great blessing to all who attended.
—C. A. Bird, Pastor

DES MOINES, IOWA—A very successful Children's Crusade has just been concluded at South Side Assembly of God with the Knouse-Stovall Evangelistic Team. One hundred and fifty-eight were registered for this week's crusade. A total of 28 were saved.
—Stanford F. Raleigh, Pastor

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—A six-day revival with the Larimore Evangelistic Party of Los Angeles, Calif., brought great blessing to the congregation here at Glad Tidings Assembly. Several sought God for salvation. Crowds in-

creased nightly until the church was packed to capacity at the closing night rally.

—D. M. Carlson, Pastor

MASON CITY, ILL.—The Assembly of God here reports one of the best revivals in its history. Evangelists Joel and Esther Palmer of Beaverton, Ala., ministered for three weeks. Attendance was the best ever and more new people were reached than ever before. The congregation enjoyed the anointed preaching and singing.

—Kenneth C. Wallace, Pastor

PALESTINE, TEX.—An old-fashioned Holy Ghost revival has just been concluded at the West-side Assembly of God here with Evangelist and Mrs. O. K. Stephenson of Irving, Tex. Having done gospel work in five foreign countries, the "Singing Stephen-

sons" sing in five languages. Night after night God poured out His Spirit upon the services so that various individuals were saved, filled, or refilled with the Holy Spirit. The sick were healed in nearly every meeting. The refreshing effect of this revival continues to be felt in the regular services.

—Henry Davidson, Pastor

JASONVILLE, IND.—Ten persons found Christ as their personal Saviour, three received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, and many were healed during a revival at the Assembly of God here with Evangelist Charles Crank of Orlando, Fla. Among those saved during the campaign were a fine young couple and several teenagers. One Saturday morning the evangelist and pastor ministered at the federal prison in Terre Haute, Ind. Five of the inmates responded to the invitation for salvation.

—Kelso Allen, Pastor

STEELEVILLE, MO. — First Assembly had a successful eight-night "back-to-school" revival ending September 16. There was gratifying response from young and old alike. Seven of the young people were filled with the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4. There was good attendance each night.

—Joe R. Massey, Pastor

GOODWAY, ALA.—A six-night revival at the Assembly of God with Evangelist Grant Daniel of Montgomery, Ala., proved to be a great blessing to the church. Several found Christ as Saviour, and the entire church was uplifted.

—Bobby Dunn, Pastor

LUBBOCK, TEX.—September 21 marked the close of a very successful revival at Faith Assembly of God conducted by Evangelist Jack Pruitt of Ft. Worth, Tex. Ten persons were saved, and a number received divine healing. Excellent crowds came each night to enjoy the dynamic Pentecostal preaching. The entire church was strengthened spiritually.

—Samuel Waganer, Pastor

ESCONDIDO, CALIF. — Faith Chapel reports a very successful three-week revival with Evangelist A. L. Parker of Houston, Tex. Several were saved, some were filled with the Holy Spirit, a number received miraculous healings, and the entire church was revived. An old-time Pentecostal spirit was prevalent as a result of the fasting and prayer conducted on Tuesdays and Fridays. Charter members called this the best revival in the history of the church.

—F. L. Davis, Pastor

LEOMINSTER, MASS. — A most successful youth crusade with Evangelist Fred Potter of Hamilton, Ont., was held at the Assembly of God here during the first week of September. The ministry of the evangelist, founder of "Harvest Youth Crusade," has a great appeal to all ages. Using oil-painted "scene-o-felts" in his visual Bible presentation, his messages brought a great response from the hearts of the people. Revival fires kindled during these meetings continue to burn in the regular services. The 25 per cent increase in Sunday school attendance is being maintained. New people have been



LONACONING, Md.—Ministers attending the dedication of the First Assembly of God during the dedication revival with Evangelist James D. Brown of Mobile, Ala. District Superintendent Kelly Wigfield brought the dedicatory message. Charles E. Fussell is pastor.



SPARTANBURG, S. C.—A profitable meeting was conducted at First Assembly by Evangelist and Mrs. Michael Lord of Alabama. Ten accepted Christ as Saviour, six were reclaimed, five were baptized with the Holy Spirit, and several were healed. Lyle M. Hadler is pastor.

added to the church, backsliders have been reclaimed, and there has been an increased passion to reach the lost.

—Woodrow J. Fletcher, Pastor

VALDESE, N. C.—A most successful revival was conducted at the Assembly of God here by Evangelist G. W. Hoggard. As a result of the cooperation of both pastor and people in prayer, visitation, and telephone evangelism, great victories were reported. Eight persons were saved, five were baptized in the Holy Spirit, 17 were baptized in water, and 19 joined the church. For several nights people sought the Lord until midnight.

—Lewis Powell, Pastor

WINTER HAVEN, FLA.—Evangelist Grant Daniel of Montgomery, Ala., was used of God in a very fine revival at the First Assembly of God here. One individual was saved, and the entire church was blessed by the ministry of the Word.

—Emerson Jones, Pastor

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—During a ten-day meeting at Highway Tabernacle with Evangelist Tommy Barnett of Kansas City, Kans., there were many first-time visitors and a number of them continue to attend the regular services. Many young people accepted Christ as Saviour and a number of backsliders were reclaimed.

—W. Howard Roberson, Pastor

HURON, S. DAK.—The "Message for America Team," composed of Evangelists Lowell and Connie Lundstrom, Larry Lundstrom, and Lou Giroux, concluded a successful eight-day campaign at the Assembly of God here. Twenty persons gave their hearts to the Lord, and four received the baptism in the Holy Ghost—two of these on Sunday morning in the after service which lasted until 1:30 p.m. The Saturday night "Gospel Sing" was held in another auditorium to accommodate the nearly 500 people who attended. Three individuals were saved in this meeting.

—E. A. North, Pastor

WAUSAU, WIS.—Christian Assembly reports a successful campaign with the Tanner Team of Willmar, Minn. Several sought the Lord for salvation, backsliders and lukewarm believers renewed their consecration, and two individuals received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. One lady received her personal Pentecost while praying at home in a twelve-hour prayer chain. Over 200 contacts were



ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Sunday night crowd (top photo) attending Berea Temple during the meeting with Evangelist Watson Argue. In photo at left Pastor Loren Wooten (right) greets Watson Argue. People pray at the altar (photo at right) at the close of one of the services.

made daily by the church people with the result that at least 100 outsiders were present—many of them first timers.

—Charles Anderson, Pastor

LOVES PARK, ILL.—A third crusade with the "Message for America Team" has just been concluded at Glad Tidings Assembly of God. Several came forward for salvation, backsliders were reclaimed, one was filled with the Holy Spirit, and others refilled. The young people especially were deeply stirred. The spirit and talent of the team were greatly appreciated.

—Marvin F. Carlson, Pastor

SPARTANBURG, S. C.—Evangelist B. R. Minton has completed a ten-day revival at First Assembly of God here using his 30-foot dispensational chart. The messages were an inspiration to all. Many knelt at the altar for a new touch of God upon their lives and there were some who sought salvation. A number of first-time visitors have since returned to the regular services.

—Lyle M. Hadler, Pastor

CLARKFIELD, MINN.—For six nights the Gospel Tabernacle here was privileged to enjoy the ministry of the Lowell Lundstrom Party of Sisseton, S. Dak. Ten or more persons were saved, several filled with the Holy Spirit, and a number refilled.

—Ivan Kramer, Pastor

CORNING, CALIF.—Earl McMilin, singing evangelist, of Hughson, Calif., has just concluded a series of evangelistic meetings at the First Assembly of God here. The presence of God was manifested from night to night and believers were reminded of the imminent return of the Lord Jesus Christ. This was a time of spiritual refreshing, especially to those who found Christ as personal Saviour.

—Jim Logan, Pastor

EL CAJON, CALIF.—Central Assembly reports a gracious revival with Evangelist A. L. Parker of Houston, Tex., who emphasized the "signs of the times" and a deeper walk with God. Several persons were saved, others reclaimed, and believers stirred to a deeper walk with God. A men's meeting on Monday night was outstanding. Men were present from several different churches, and others with no church affiliation attended. The Spirit of God moved upon the testimonies of the men as well as on the message of the evangelist. As a result every man in the house knelt before God—some giving their hearts to Christ. A Presbyterian was filled with the Holy Spirit. A definite hunger for the infilling of the Spirit according to Acts 2:4 has been noticed among many of the denominational people of this area, and several of them have been filled recently.

—R. L. Davis, Pastor

PARIS, ILL.—First Assembly reports a fine revival with Evangelist Bonnie Ruble from the Southern Missouri District. Two individuals were saved, two reclaimed, seven baptized in the Holy Spirit, and two refilled. There was a good attendance throughout. A new educational building is under construction which will make room for 100 more in Sunday school. The goal for '62 is 302.

—Fred Hendrickson, Pastor

FT. WORTH, TEX.—A very successful four-week revival has just been concluded at Victory Assembly of God here with Evangelist Leo Gaston of Abilene, Tex. twenty individuals either accepted Christ or prayed through to a new experience with God. Eight or ten persons received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, among them a lady 73 years of age. Ten were baptized in water and several were added to the church.

—T. F. Shultz, Pastor

MARLIN, TEX.—The entire congregation was greatly stirred during a children's crusade conducted at the Assembly of God here with Evangelist Patsy Allen. Approximately 35 children accepted Christ. In one service alone at least 12 from various services were filled with the Holy Spirit. The majority of the children had never heard about "tongues," and it was never mentioned. However, they were encouraged to yield to the Holy



EL PASO, Tex.—Photo at left shows Pastor William F. Hageman (left) and Evangelist Neil Eskelin on television during the "Youth Emphasis Week" at First Assembly of God. KROD-TV canceled CBS programing to present the Thursday night service on television. During the program five ladies (photo at right) took the names and addresses of 350 viewers, who will be reached by a follow-up campaign. On a Saturday afternoon the young people distributed more than 17,000 tracts in house-to-house visitation.

Spirit and seek the fullness of God, and as they did this they spoke forth in "other tongues." They remained in prayer for hours.

—Gerald A. Griffin, Pastor

GARY, IND.—Full Gospel Tabernacle reports a victorious spirit throughout the entire two-week revival with Evangelist Calvin Melton. Not a single night passed by without sinners finding the Lord—many of them first-time decisions. The Sunday school record attendance was broken during the services. Over 70 visitors registered.

—Carl D. Strader, Pastor

ORLANDO, FLA.—A two-week youth revival brought great blessing to the congregation at the Fleming Heights Assembly of God. Charles L. Cooper of Jacksonville, Fla., was the evangelist. Fifteen young people accepted Christ as Saviour.

—Harvey Stocker, Pastor

LUBBOCK, TEX.—Central Assembly had a good revival with Evangelist Leo Gaston of Abilene, Tex. Two persons sought salvation in the closing Sunday night services.

—R. Austin Jolliff, Pastor

TOMBALL, TEX.—In a recent meeting at the Assembly of God here with Evangelist and Mrs. Glen Shinn, victories were reported each night as some accepted Christ and others were filled with the Spirit. The anointed preaching and beautiful singing of the evangelists helped to bring a deep moving of God's Spirit which continued after the meeting closed.

—E. M. Darneal, Pastor

BRANFORD, FLA.—The Assembly of God here and neighbors as well were blessed through the "God Save America" Crusade with Evangelist and Mrs. Michael H. Lord of Wing, Ala. There were

testimonies of salvation, refillings in the Holy Spirit, and divine healings. At one of the services the congregation was honored with an address by the Branford high-school principal.

—Leonard D. Powell, Pastor

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.—During September a series of services was held at the Bethel Assembly of God with Evangelist and Mrs. Bob Hoskins. The inspiring ministry of the Word brought rich blessing as did also the piano and organ music. Some 24 sought God for salvation and several testified to definite healing. The missionary film shown of the Hoskins' foreign evangelism tour brought a great challenge.

—David W. Flower, Pastor

PALM CITY, FLA.—A most profitable three-week revival with Evangelist Charles Cooper of Jacksonville, Fla., has been reported by the Assembly of God here. Thirty-three individuals found Christ as Saviour and two were filled with the Holy Spirit. Nine of the new converts became members and followed the Lord in water baptism.

—J. E. Gilmore, Pastor

SANTA ANA, TEX.—This small town of some 1600 people was reached for God by the capable ministry of Evangelist D. C. Ogden. The musical talent and unique chalk drawings kept the people coming night after night and bringing others with them. Every church in the community was represented and surrounding towns as well.

—James Ford, Pastor

DALLAS, TEX.—A special move of the Spirit of God was experienced at Calvary Tabernacle during a revival with Evangelist and Mrs. W. A. Edwards of Dallas, Tex. Some were saved, many renewed their consecrations, and one individual was filled with the Holy Spirit.

—H. D. Hobbs, Pastor

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—God blessed the ministry of Evangelist Raymond DeVito of Downey, Calif., during a recent revival at First Assembly of God Tabernacle. Several came forward for salvation, and a number of backsliders returned to the fold. The power of God was present to heal many who were sick and afflicted.

—Wesley Wibley, Pastor

HATTIESBURG, MISS.—An old-fashioned Holy Ghost revival with Evangelist Freddie Richardson of Malvern, Ark., has been reported at the Victory Assembly of God here. Fifteen persons were saved and as many filled with the Holy Ghost. The preaching of Bible holiness resulted in many giving up worldly pleasures for a closer walk with God.

—Harris-Denney, Co-Pastors

LUTHERAN PASTORS TELL OF "SPEAKING IN TONGUES"

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (RNS)—About two dozen pastors and several hundred laymen of the American Lutheran Church (ALC) have reported "speaking in tongues" experiences.

A denominational commission is now studying "these reported manifestations of the Holy Spirit's power," according to an article in the ALC organ, the *Lutheran Standard*, published here.

When a Christian speaks in tongues, he makes ecstatic utterances that cannot be identified as human language, except by the gift of interpretation, the *Standard* explained.

This "spiritual speaking," known among theologians as "glossolalia," goes back to Christ's apostles where, according to Acts 2:4, they "began to speak with other tongues" when they were "filled with the Holy Ghost."

In modern times, this phenomenon has been associated primarily with the Pentecostals, but two years ago it was reported that it was taking place within the Protestant Episcopal Church and some of the other historic denominations.

Some of the ALC pastors and laymen reportedly received the "gift" of "spiritual speaking" after association with Episcopalians. How it has affected them has been told in letters and verbal reports received by the ALC's Commission on Evangelism.

One man wrote: "...the fire of the Holy Spirit is mighty disturbing. And I'm disturbed. As I have gone through this, Scripture really comes alive and the hymns of the church shout out at me..."

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EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

A pastor wrote the experience had resulted in "a definite enrichment of my own spiritual life, a deepening understanding of God's Word and a new confidence to pray for others..."

Another pastor who reportedly received the gift said he now has "the courage of the apostle to witness. My desire is for prayer and Bible study. I love people as I have never loved them. Instead of preparing sermons I now prepare myself to preach."

One writer commented on the growth of the phenomenon in this way: "It may interest you to note that within a diameter of twenty-five miles there are three Lutheran pastors and three Methodist pastors besides the many, many others in the denominational churches far and wide who minister through the gifts of the Spirit including the 'speaking in tongues.' It is quite evident in our day that God is trying to reveal to us that 'Pentecost' is not a denomination—it is an experience."

According to the *Standard* article, written by the Rev. Lewis Holm, the ALC evangelism office has received letters from eleven states telling of experiences in tongues.

Dr. Fredrik A. Schiotez, ALC president, commented on the experiences in his report to the ALC district conventions during the past summer.

"The American Lutheran Church is a part of the Church of Jesus Christ," he said. "As such it welcomes the exercise of any gift that the Holy Spirit may bestow on the believer. But the Church would also be remiss if it did not remind its members that 'speaking in tongues' is one of the lesser gifts.

"It is useful in the believer's private worship; but it is not a requirement for salvation. Nor is it a badge of merit to be displayed on the coat lapel. All believers 'are inspired by one and the same Spirit who apportions to each one individually as he wills' (1 Corinthians 12:11)."

SEVENTEEN ORDAINED AT ARKANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Seventeen were ordained to the ministry at the forty-ninth session of the Arkansas District Council. Lowell C. Ashbrook, Louisiana district superintendent, was the Council speaker.

All officers whose terms expired this year were re-elected on the nominating ballots. Those returned to office who give their full time to the District work are: H. W. Culbreth, secretary-treasurer; E.

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Megargel	A/G	Nov. 19-Dec. 2	Joel & Mrs. Palmer	Morris D. Hyatt
Ariz.	Phoenix	Faith	Nov. 20—	Ron Prinzing	W. K. Hirschy
Ark.	Kensett	A/G	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	Frank E. Martin	Bobby Brock
	Swifton	Sunny Valley	Nov. 25-Dec. 9	Glenna Bvard	L. F. Fry
Calif.	Corona	Home Gardens	Nov. 13-25	Ralph I. Cranston	Leonard Hicks
	La Jolla	A/G	Nov. 25-Dec. 9	Marvin Schmidt	Joseph B. Prettyman
	Los Angeles	Bethel Temple	Nov. 25—	Watson Argue	Arne Vick
	Romoland	A/G	Nov. 13-18	Doug Payne	Mark Watts
	Sacramento	Bethel Temple	Nov. 21—	Tommy Barnett	Clyde Henson
	San Bernardino	First	Nov. 25—	Tommy Barnett	Louis Hauff
	San Francisco	Glad Tidings	Nov. 21-25	E. L. Cole	Floyd Thomas
	Turlock	Bethel Temple	Nov. 25-Dec. 2	J. G. Hall	Robert Carrington
Fla.	Miami	Bethany Tab.	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	R. S. Peterson	Dale B. Peterson
	Orlando	Conway	Nov. 25—	Robert & Mrs. Price	Charles V. Newbold
	Panama City	Callaway	Nov. 25-Dec. 16	Grant Daniel	J. D. Kelly
	Pensacola	Brentwood	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	Bob & Jeri Winford	H. T. Chapman
Ga.	Newman	First	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	Perrello Brothers	L. G. Gilstrap
Ill.	Mascoutah	Full Gospel	Nov. 25-Dec. 9	R. D. & Mrs. Bornert	Floyd Porter
	Moline	Bethesda	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	Ernie Eskelin	L. Calvin Bacon
	Rushville	A/G	Nov. 19-Dec. 9	James & Marie Grady	Ralph R. Fick
Iowa	Muscatine	Glad Tidings Ch.	Nov. 20-25	Bob & Pat Ludwig	Arthur A. Buntentbach
	Newton	A/G	Nov. 25-Dec. 9	Arthur & Anna Berg	Hilton Griswold
Kans.	Clay Center	A/G	Nov. 25-27	Musical Lebsacks	Robert Mackish
	Newton	A/G	Nov. 25-Dec. 9	Jeremiah Hanley	W. R. Boyd
Ky.	Bellevue	Glad Tidings	Nov. 14-28	James T. Burkett	Chris Doepke
Mich.	Muskegon	East Broadway	Nov. 20—	John Higginbotham	Edward E. Froats
Mo.	Green City	A/G	Nov. 18—	Ivan & Mrs. Kimmel	D. C. Brewer
	Kansas City	Calvary	Nov. 21-Dec. 1	A. J. Chandonnet	Leonard Carpenter
	St. Louis	First	Nov. 18—	The Lummer Party	D. E. Bucher
	St. Louis	Friendship	Nov. 25-Dec. 9	Ward Popejoy	Fred Wampler
	Trenton	A/G	Nov. 18-Dec. 2	Bonnie M. Ruble	Roy Donelson
Nebr.	Fairbury	A/G	Nov. 13-25	C. M. Smitley	Leonard Herrmann
	Holdredge	A/G	Nov. 25-Dec. 9	Jerry & Joy Spain	H. H. DeMent
N. Mex.	Tatum	First	Nov. 18-Dec. 2	Ervin & Mrs. Asiatico	J. F. Eads
N. Y.	Binghamton	First	Nov. 22-Dec. 2	Lorne F. Fox & Party	R. D. E. Smith
	Brooklyn	Calvary Tab.	Nov. 11—	A. Alan Alaimo	N. B. Crandall
	Huntington Sta.	A/G Pent. Ch.	Nov. 13-25	The Tanner Team	Charles M. Shaffer
N. Dak.	New Town	Gospel Tab.	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	Wes & Pat Larson	Don Waggoner
Ohio	Massillon	First	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	Chas. B. (Jack) Peters	Carl E. Ladd
Okla.	El Reno	First	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	Billy D. Guthrie	Leonard Negrin
	Eufaula	A/G	Nov. 20—	Musical Rogers	Edward Estes
	Tulsa	Central	Nov. 18-Dec. 2	Gene Scott	Robert G. Voight
Oreg.	Estacada	A/G	Nov. 20—	The Musical Grants	Nels Fast
	Medford	Bethel	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	Fuchsia T. Parrish	L. D. Krause
	Portland	Calvary	Nov. 11-25	Musical VanderPloegs	A. C. Phillips
Pa.	Bellwood	Pentecostal	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	Andrew & Mrs. Basell	B. Gregory Fisher
	Erie	Glad Tidings	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	Arnold & Anita Segesman	Robert T. Eastlake
	Quakertown	A/G	Nov. 11-25	Paul J. & Mrs. Graban	Walter Stuart
	Scranton	Pentecostal	Nov. 11-25	Joseph Bodie	Parker B. Hayes
S. C.	Greenville	Life Tab.	Nov. 23—	John Eller	T. L. Grey
Tex.	Angleton	First	Nov. 21—	Glen Shimm	Gene Nicely
	Odessa	Hiway Temple	Nov. 25-Dec. 9	Oren Paris	C. L. Gillock
Vt.	Burlington	Southside	Nov. 11-18	Lynn & Mrs. Wickstrom	Oliver W. Johnson
Wash.	Colville	A/G	Nov. 20—	Les Martin	Daniel Sinner
	Sunmer	A/G	Nov. 20-Dec. 9	Gaidies-Wagner Team	R. F. Ashworth
	Menomonie	Full Gospel Tab.	Nov. 6—	Russell B. Park	Paul M. Koeshall
	Siren	Gospel Tab.	Nov. 25-Dec. 9	Ray & Elaine Leonard	Art Gast
Canada	Montreal, Que.	Dorual Pent. Ch.	Nov. 25-Dec. 2	Dave Tonn	G. C. Smith

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Joe Wilmoth, district C. A. president; Charles Northcutt, Sunday school director; and Mattie Patillo, WMC president. These were all elected for a two-year term.

G. W. Hardcastle is district superintendent and Edwin Burris is assistant superintendent.

—by H. W. Culbreth, Sec'y-Treas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOME COMING at Assembly of God, Lone Wolf, Okla., on Nov. 24 and 25.—by Cecil Van Hoose, pastor.

HOME COMING—Nov. 25-26 at Pentecostal Assembly of God,

Wapato, Wash. Speakers (former pastors): Martin Haack, Carl O. Gunderson, Earl J. Hance, and James O. McGahey. Yakima Sectional Fellowship Meeting included. —by P. C. Walcher, pastor.

WITH CHRIST

MAUDE A. SHAFFSTALL, 61, of El Monte, Calif., passed away September 6 due to cancer. She was a licensed minister, having been affiliated with the Southern California District since 1947.

BURTON D. LANCASTER, 68, of Lennox, Calif., died of a

heart attack at his home September 16. He was ordained in the Southern California District in 1944 and began his pastorate in Inglewood, Calif., where he served until his death. He is survived by his wife.

FRANCIS GILBERT CLINE, 79, of Bakersfield, Calif., went to be with Christ on August 16, 1962. Ordained in 1914, he was pastor and evangelist for thirty-five years in Iowa, Nebraska, and Illinois. He was a member of the West Central District. He is survived by his wife Edith, an ordained minister, and three sons.

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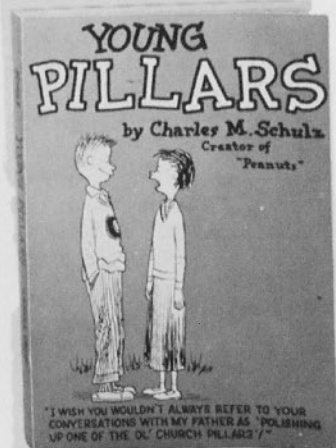
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CHAPTER 16

THESE things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended.

They shall put you out of synagogues: yea, they shall persecute you: but ye shall stand fast upon the word of life.

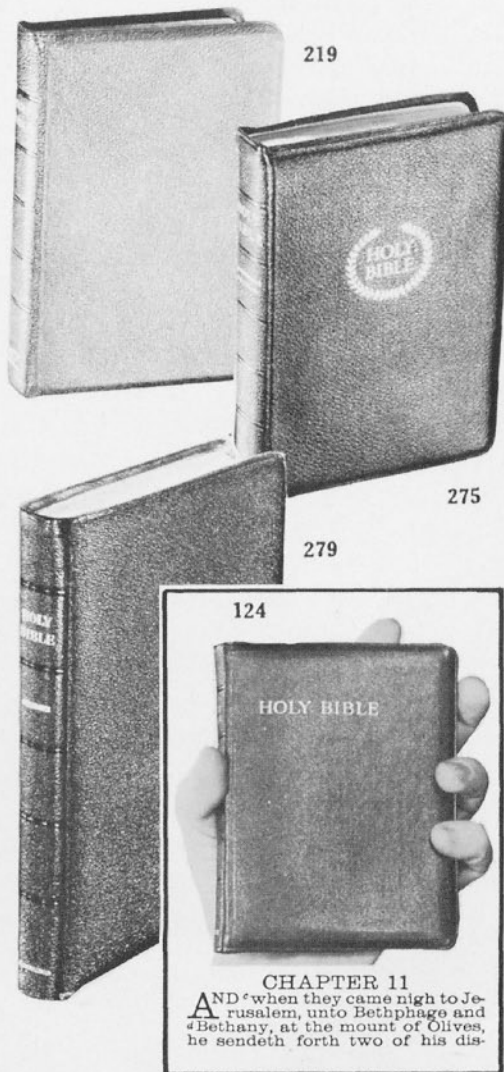
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WHEN came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying,

Why do thy disciples transgress the law of Moses?

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CHAPTER 11

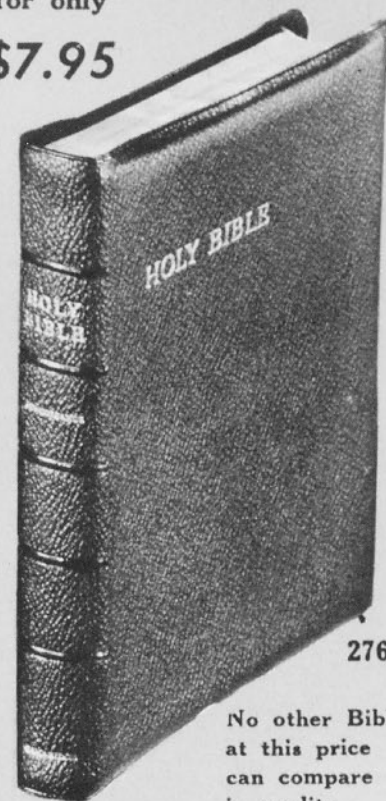
AND when they came nigh to Jerusalem, unto Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount of Olives, he sendeth forth two of his dis-

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POWER

THE LATE WILLIAM STEINMETZ, CONSULTING engineer for the General Electric Company and popularly known as the electrical wizard, once made the following statement:

"I think the greatest discovery in the future will be along spiritual lines. Here is a force which history shows has been the greatest power in the development of man and history. Yet we have been merely playing with it and have never seriously studied it as we have the physical forces. Some day people will learn that material things do not bring happiness and are of

little use in making men and women creative and powerful. Then the scientists of the world will turn their laboratories over to the study of God and prayer and spiritual forces which as yet have hardly been scratched. When that time comes the world will see more advancement in one generation than it has in the past four."

This noted scientist evidently refers to the Spirit of God, who may be defined as God operative in the world and in human life. The Scriptures employ several illustrations to describe these operations. The Holy Spirit is said to be like fire—purifying and spreading, giving light and heat. The Spirit is like wind—mysterious in origin, invisible yet felt. The Spirit is like water—cleansing the defiled, satisfying the thirsty. The Spirit is like oil—soothing and healing, producing light and strength.

This power is available to everyone through Christ, who came into the world to break the power of sin and introduce a new source of life. If you are unconverted, meditate upon this promise: "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink," said Jesus. "He that believeth on Me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water" (John 7:37, 38). *Repent, believe, ask* and this promise will be your very own.

If you profess to be a Christian, ask yourself this question, "How much spiritual reality do I possess which I am able and willing to pass on to others?" What is your answer to the apostle Paul's question, "Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed?"

In apostolic days the baptism of the Spirit generally followed conversion and baptism in water (read the Book of Acts). Canon Streeter, noted Episcopalian scholar, said that Paul speaks "as if the reception of the Spirit was something as definite and as observable as, for example, an attack of influenza."

Jesus said, "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto Me" (Acts 1:8). Believe this promise, and this spiritual power will be given to you. It is for all who ask God for it, if their hearts are right in His sight.

—M. P.

